DRIVING TIPS

With the car standing still, learn the location, use, and relationship of the clutch and brake pedals, the accelerator pedal, and the brake hand lever. Learn the positions of the shifting lever for the various speeds—forward and reverse. Practise releasing the clutch and shifting gears, so that you can make shifts without hesitation. Take advantage of the provisions which have been made for your comfort. Each driver eventually finds a sitting position which suits him for driving, and your car is built to enable you to do so. Adjust the seat so that you sit comfortably, and learn to relax while driving.

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WHITEAWAY'S

Invaders Claim Only 12½ Miles from City As Weygand Withdraws Forces To Avoid Encirclement: Secret Defences May Block Nazi Attempts to Enter Capital

GERMANS NOW HAMMERING AT OUTER RING OF FORTIFICATIONS

FIERCE FIGHTING ALONG THE MARNE AS NAZIS SEEK TO FORCE ISSUE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 13 (U.P.).—The Germans claim to be within 12.1/2 miles of Paris to-night.

General Weygand is withdrawing his Army in order to escape encirclement.

The eastern and western Armies of the Allies are maintaining a fairly straight line in their retreat, but the Allied army in the centre held back in the Soissons area, running the risk of being trapped in a pocket.

This Army of the centre was ordered to retreat late last night in order to avoid the Nazi trap. As a result the Germans are also advancing on Paris along the Oise and are already within artillery range of the city on this front.

The German war machine has not reached the point of exhaustion for which the Allies hoped and it has consequently become essential for General Weygand to order a retreat along the whole front.

The good order with which the retreat is being conducted indicates that the Allied lines are completely intact.

The fate of Paris now depends upon its secret outer fortifications, which are of an unknown quantity. There are vague reports that they approach the real Maginot Line in their powers of resistance.

The fall of Paris would mark the end of a successful phase of the war for Germany but it would not have a major effect on the eventual outcome.

100 Divisions In Action

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—With 100 German divisions and every available tank thrown into the battle, the enemy is making formidable efforts to reach a rapid decision on the Western Front, a French military spokesman stated.

Even training tanks are being used by the Germans.

He added that the battle is still likely to last several days, but it certainly would not bring a decision.

The Germans' main attacks are at Vernon-on-the-Seine, north-west-of-Paris, where the French are trying to throw them back into the river, and in the Rheims area.

Bombing Paris Area

The Germans are bombing the Paris area, while the Allied air forces are attacking convoys, troop concentrations, bridges and other communications.

The spokesman said the Italians had not yet attacked in the Alps, but if they did they would be met with the most effective resistance.

"Situation Extremely Difficult"

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is learned in authoritative quarters that there would appear to be no slackening of the German attacks, and the situation remains extremely difficult.

The Germans are staking everything in this battle and everything depends on the ability of the French to hold off the superior forces.

The most serious thing is the development of the battle in Rheims area, where there is a very heavy attack.

Undiminished Violence

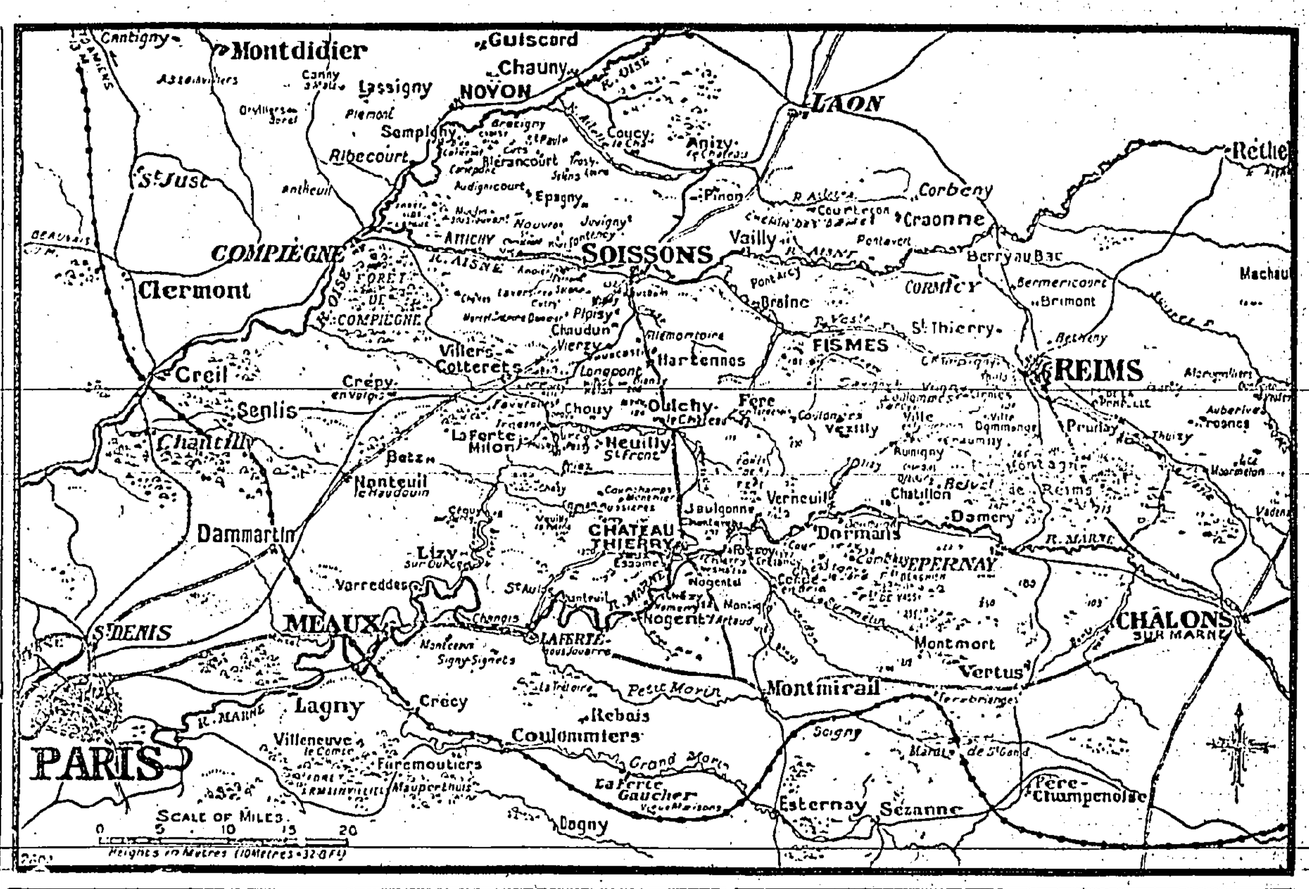
PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—Paris Radio gives a communique as follows:

The battle continues with the same violence on the whole front.

Between the sea and the Oise, the enemy accentuated his efforts on the Seine from Rouen to Vernon in order to extend the bridgeheads which he succeeded in establishing south of the river.

He is seeking to push towards

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THE ORZEL

Poland's Most Famous Submarine Is Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—Hero of one of the most remarkable episodes of the present war, the Polish submarine Orzel is reported to be so much overdue that she is presumed lost.

This was revealed to-day by the Polish Naval Staff, who added that the submarine was carrying a normal complement of 56 officers and men when she set out some time ago on what is now believed to have been her last mission.

Brilliant Escape

The story of the Orzel's escape from the Baltic to England last year is ranked among the navies of the world as one of the most brilliant accomplishments ever achieved by an underwater craft.

When Germany invaded Poland, the Orzel slipped out of Gdynia and cruised submerged in the Gulf of Danzig for four days.

There she was bombed by German warplanes, but she escaped into the Baltic, dodging a cordon of Nazi cruisers on the way.

Captain Falls Ill

The perils of the trip were not lessened by the fact that the Orzel's captain was a sick man when the vessel started out, and he became so ill that he had to be hoisted to the conning tower by a rope.

When he grew worse, it was decided to land him at a neutral port, and the submarine thereupon put in at the Estonian port of Tallinn, where the First Lieutenant took command.

Because a German merchantman was leaving the port at the time, the Estonian authorities made the Orzel remain for 24 hours. Then they announced that she had exceeded her time limit allowed by International Law and she was placed under arrest.

Orzel Escapes

Breech blocks, charts and small arms were removed, and preparations were made to take off the torpedoes. Two guards were put on the vessel, but the crew had made up their minds to escape. A Polish officer severed the wire hoisting the torpedoes out of the submarine, while the captain got busy with a hacksaw, severing all hawsers holding the submarine, except one.

At midnight, two burley sailors bundled the guards into the submarine.

The sound of the forward capstan gave them away and the destroyers in the harbour turned their search-

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TURKEY'S DECISION IMMINENT

Merely A Matter Of Hours

ANKARA, June 12 (Reuter).—There does not appear to-night to be the slightest doubt regarding Turkey's position, the only question being the exact moment and the exact method.

As one unofficial but well-informed spokesman told "Reuter's" special correspondent to-night, "Turkey's obligations under the Treaty appear clear and Turkey honours her obligations."

Ankara Prepares

Outwardly Ankara is still a peaceful, sunny mountain township, but throughout the day there has been a constant flow of consultations in Government quarters and great activity at all the Embassies of the Western Powers.

The wail of air raid sirens was heard for the first time in the city this afternoon when the sirens were tested.

Some citizens have already prepared windows for a blackout, although none has yet been ordered.

A full meeting of Parliament was held this afternoon.

Egypt's Declaration

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—The Chamber of Deputies has approved the declaration by the Prime Minister severing diplomatic relations with Italy.

Rumanian Action

BUCHAREST, June 12 (UP).—All commercial ships have been ordered to return to Rumanian ports immediately.

Italian Denial

ROME, June 12 (UP).—The reports that Italy has delivered an ultimatum to Egypt have been officially denied here.

Australian Warship In Action

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MELBOURNE, June 12 (UP). — An Australian cruiser has intercepted the Italian ship Romolo (9,780 tons) in the Pacific.

The crew set fire to the Romolo and took to the boats.

The fate of the ship and its passengers is not yet known.

The Romolo was shadowed by Australian air force planes and naval units from Brisbane.

TURIN IS RAIDED

Bombs Dropped On City's Suburbs

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—An agency message states that an Allied plane, believed to be British, flew over Turin about 1 a.m. to-day and dropped several bombs on the outskirts of the city.

There was anti-aircraft action for about two hours but no plane was brought down.

There were four air raid alarms to-day between midnight and noon.

Italians Move Slowly

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—A French military spokesman this afternoon said the Italians have not yet shown much military activity, although they have brought up heavy forces of troops and material.

He estimated that from 60 to 70 divisions had been mobilised on the Alpine front.

ITALIAN WARSHIPS DAMAGED

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. this morning in an attack on Tobruk harbour, Libya, extensively damaged enemy vessels, including one warship and two submarines.

The warship was set on fire.

R.A.F. Activity

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Air Ministry announces that heavy British bombers operating from bases in Britain bombed military objectives in Turin and other targets at Genoa.

One British bomber is missing.

Italian Crew Captured

DURBAN, June 12 (Reuter).—The crew of the Italian steamer, Timavo, which was beached yesterday, were captured to-day. They were trying to make for the Portuguese border.

U-BOAT STOPPED WASHINGTON

Open Admission By Nazi Wireless

LONDON, Jun 12 (Reuter).—The official German wireless to-day admitted that it was a German U-boat which stopped the American refugee liner, Washington, off the north-west coast of Portugal yesterday.

The announcer, explaining the incident, said the German U-boat sighted a steamer proceeding northward. The U-boat commander was under the impression that she was a Greek vessel and therefore signalled her to stop.

When, during the exchange of signals which followed, it appeared that she was American, the U-boat captain allowed her to pass freely.

The announcer denied that the German Government had been notified that the Washington had left north.

TIENTSIN ISSUES SETTLED

Japan And Britain Come To Terms

TOKYO, June 13 (Reuter).—A Foreign Office spokesman declares that an agreement has been reached on questions at issue between Britain and Japan relating to the British Concession at Tientsin.

The agreement, he said, covers policing, and the silver and currency questions.

The statement does not refer to the question of the Chinese silver in the French Concession in Tientsin, which will apparently take further time for settlement.

Details Later

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is learned in London that details of the Anglo-Japanese agreement on Tientsin will be made available when the arrangement is definitely signed in a few days' time.

However, it is gathered that with regard to the silver question, the arrangement provides that the money shall be deposited in a bank in the Settlement in an account under the signatures of the British and the Japanese Consuls-General.

Ten per cent. (approximately £10,000) will be allocated to famine and flood relief.

A solution to the inherent difficulties with regard to the disposal of this silver has thus been found which is acceptable to all parties.

LATEST

Russia And Sweden

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—According to reliable sources here Moscow has informed Stockholm that Sweden could count on Soviet assistance in the event of aggression against Sweden.

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GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Thursday, the 13th June, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon, Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m. and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taipo and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th June. June 13.

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Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 1st May) June 18.
Japan June 18.

OUTWARD MAILS

Thursday, June 13

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G. P. O. and K. P. O.

Reg., ... June 13, 11.15 a.m.
Ord., ... June 13, Noon.
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Bangkok Noon.
Bangkok Noon.
Sandakan Noon.
Parcels only for Tientsin Noon.
Saigon, Straits and London via Long-Sea-Route.

G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Reg., ... 11.15 a.m.
Ord., ... Noon.

Friday, June 14

Bangkok 10.30 a.m.

Saturday, June 15

Shanghai and parcels only for Tientsin 9.30 a.m.
Bangkok Noon.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United Kingdom.

G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Reg. June 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. June 15, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, June 16

Amoy 9.00 a.m.
Shanghai 9.00 a.m.

Monday, June 17

Canton 7.15 a.m.
Haiphong Noon.
Canton 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 18

Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya 8.30 a.m.

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service."

K. P. O.

Reg. June 18, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. June 18, 5.30 p.m.

G. P. O.

Reg. June 18, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. June 18, 7.00 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—(No Parcels for Canada) and *Europe via San Francisco

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Parcels., ... June 19, 5 p.m.
Reg., ... June 19, 9.45 a.m.
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June 13, 1890.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph".

Sir,—Will you allow me to suggest that the formation of a Naval Volunteers Corps as an auxiliary to the Royal Navy for the defence of this colony be reconsidered? Should war threaten, every available seaman will be needed by the Admiral Commanding the Station to complete the establishment of his seagoing ships and in actual war time to fill up casualties.

The resources of the Dockyard will be taxed to the utmost, so that it is extremely doubtful whether, either gunboats and torpedo boats now in reserve could be manned at all. A small but efficient Naval Volunteer Corps, similar to those already established in England, in India and in the Australasian Colonies, would at once supply the deficiency and set free the seamen of the Royal Navy for their more legitimate work.

I have reason to believe that the Naval authorities here would welcome such an addition to the forces at their disposal and I know that the Admiralty at home would gladly avail themselves of the services of such men as Hongkong can supply and likewise give them all facilities for learning the necessary drill and Naval routine.

There is a good deal of fascination in the idea of Naval Volunteering to lovers of the sea; practical work afloat, interesting drill and an intimate relation with the Royal Navy, of which all Englishmen are so proud.

It is now an accepted principle at home that none of Her Majesty's sea going ships are to be depended upon for the local defence of harbours or ports. Their first real and only duty is to keep the seas open by blockading the enemy. It become, therefore, the duty of the ports themselves to provide same. Naval defence outside the limits where military defence is practicable.

Should Imperial or Colonial needs Volunteers the boating and yachting members of Hongkong, whether employed in supplementing the crews of Her Majesty's ships or in manning local steam launches fitted with spar-torpedos or quick firing guns, must render good service.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
CHARLES E. SETH-SMITH
Commanding London Brigade,
Royal Naval
Artillery Volunteers.

25 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1915.

Reuter's correspondent at the Dardanelles, telegraphing on the 3rd inst., says: From the deck of the historic transport, River Clyde, I have a close view of the activities of two British landing beaches. A dozen large transports and numerous smaller craft are busy landing men, horses, hundreds of tons of stores unhampered by the enemy. There are doubtless similar scenes on other beaches on the northern coast. The army ashore is still engaged in extending and straightening its front by means of nocturnal rushes and much spade work. The enemy's artillery has lately been more active, his "morning and evening hates" as the soldiers call the daily bombardments, have been long and more vicious. Our front trenches are little bothered by the bombardments, whose objective is the landing beaches, reserve trenches and rest camps, which consequently are perfect rabbit warrens of shelter pits and dugouts. The men, however, are contemptuous of cover and show themselves freely.

10 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1930.

That great concern is being felt among Chinese property owners and traders alike regarding the prospect of increased taxation in Hongkong was emphasised by Mr. Li Hoi-tung, the Secretary of the Hongkong and Kowloon Property Owners' Association.

5 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1935.

An armistice was signed at noon today between Paraguay and Bolivia.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet	Annl. Rent.	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4279.	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3324, Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan.	as per sale plan.				About 3,720	$68	$2,790
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4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2800.	Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan. Between New Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 544 & 562.	As per sale plan.				About 1,080	$14	$810

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1 Time signal; weather report.

1.03 Gerry Moore, Vdl Rosing and Rina Ketty in Variety.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby press, weather forecast, announcements.

1.45 Royal Command Concert at Albert Hall, 1938.

2.15 Close Down.
5.45 Studio, Children's Hour.
6.45 Dance Music.
7.30 London relay, the news.
8 Time signal, weather report, announcements.
8.03 Compositions of Offenbach.—Helen (vocal gems), Columbia Light Opera Company; Gaite Parisienne ballet music, London Philharmonic Orchestra.
8.30 B.B.C. recording, "The Vicar's Garden Party."
8.45 London Relay, News from Scotland.
9 London Relay, Speech by Ernest Bevan at the American Chamber of Commerce, London.
9.20 London relay, news summary.
9.30 London relay, "Vive la France."
9.45 Concert of vocal items and band music.—La Marseillaise, March Lorraine, La Garde Republicaine Band; O Peaceful England, Essie Ackland; Royal Air Force March Past, Milanollo, Band of Coldstream Guards; Drink To Me Only with Thine Eyes, Passing By, Hubert Elsdell, Heddle Nash, Dennis Noble, Norman Allin; Sing with the Guards, H.M. Grenadier Guards.
10.15 Variety with Kanui and Lula, The Hodlars, Marie Burke, Issy Bonn.—George Formby Medley; Let's Sing Again, It's A Sin to Tell A Lie, Bobby Breen; The Great Ziegfeld Medley, The Keyboarders; My Little Grass Shack in Kealakekua, Hilo Hannkahi, Kanui and Lula; The Great Ziegfeld medley, The Keyboarders; Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man, Bill, Marie Burke; Krontjong Successen, The Hodlars; My Best Friend, Issy Goes to Lunch, Issy Bonn.
11 Close down.

WAR CHARITY CONCERT

The Hongkong Singers will give a concert on June 25 in aid of the British War Organisation Fund, in the China Fleet Club, commencing at 9.30 p.m., booking for which is at Tsang Fook Piano Co. The soloists will be Anne Balfour, Jean Grieg, Helen Lockhart, Gaston D'Aquino and Harold Piercy, with Rupert Baldwin and E. O'Neill Shaw as accompanists and I. R. M. Smith conducting.

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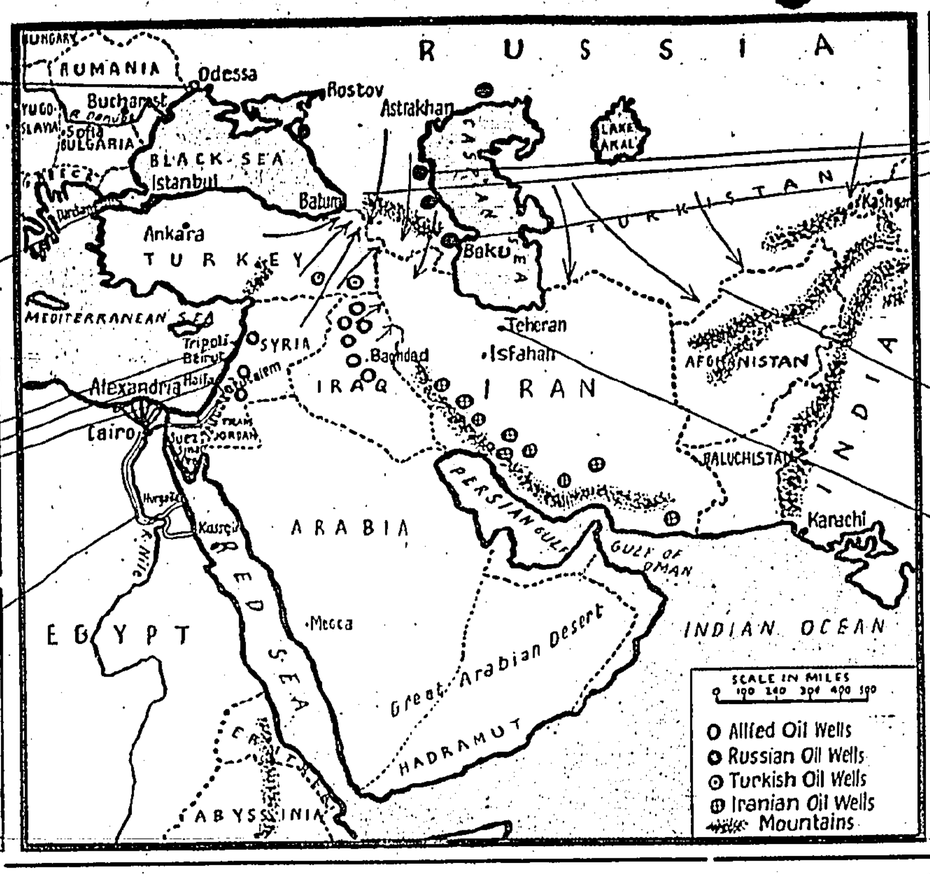
MIDDLE EASTERN NEWS REEL

Odessa: first port of U.S.S.R. and centre for vast distributing organisation for oil supplies from Baku wells via Black Sea route.

Dardanelles: strategic connection between Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea, controlled by Turkey. If thrown open to Anglo-French fleets Russian Black Sea routes would be threatened.

Haifa, Beirut, Tripoli: from these ports come Anglo-French oil supplies. Any Russian attack through Iran would threaten Allies' wells (marked O).

In Egypt Britain concentrates troops against possibility of Turko-Russian clash, prepares defences of Suez Canal and vital sea-routes to East. Newly-built strategic roads through Egypt (marked =) to Sinai Peninsula speed up military communications.



Russia's major oil wells (shown O) are mainly in southern area of U.S.S.R. These wells would be vulnerable to air attacks from Turkish bases, and the Batum depot from Black Sea naval bombardment. To counteract such attacks Russia could strike at less accessible Allied wells in Iraq through Iran (Persia).

Russia could attempt difficult drive into India through low-lands of Turkistan, and thence through mountainous Afghanistan.

Most fearful and vulnerable of all possible participants in a Middle Eastern conflict is Iran, for through Iran lies Russia's most strategic route to Iraq's oil wells. Meanwhile Iran tries to remain aloof from all foreign entanglements and political pressure, watches warily growing Turko-Russian tension.

WILL the war in the West be switched to develop in the East? What will Turkey do? Will Africa now become a battlefield? These questions dominate the world to-day.

The map above shows the vast implications of such a development. Egypt and India are not too remote to be drawn into the conflict, and it is certain that now Italy is in the war, the Balkans must sooner or later become involved.

If we should come to the Middle East it will be an Oil War. Look at those circles in the map. They mark the oil wells.

Both sides would make immediate attempts to cripple each other's oil supplies: the Russians by a great military movement through Iran into Iraq and Syria, backed by attempts at continuous aerial bombardment of Allied wells; the Allies by air attacks upon Baku, Batum, and those Russian wells which lie in the area between the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea. These Allied attacks would probably be backed by naval attacks upon Batum.

Above all things, Russia fears a naval war in the Black Sea. To attack Batum from the sea the Allies would have to enter the Black Sea through the Straits of Dardanelles. Turkey controls these straits. In the event of a clash with Russia it is virtually certain that Turkey would open these straits to the Allied fleets.

An Italian attack would have as its ultimate object the seizing of the Suez Canal. To guard against such possibilities, however remote they may seem at the moment, the Egyptian Government has constructed strategic roads which link up the main military stations of Egypt with the Sinai Peninsula.

Some strategists suggest that in the event of a Middle Eastern clash the totalitarians would attempt a drive on India, but such a move would be improbable, although not impossible. Russia could move swiftly through the lowlands of Turkoman, but then would come the fearful passage through Afghanistan (now, more than ever before, an invaluable buffer State between the clash of new-style Russian imperialism and established British imperialism) and after Afghanistan would come the even more hazardous campaign to pierce the North-West frontier.

BARONESS LOST HIM

New York.

FOR three years, blonde beautiful Baroness Margaret von Mauchenheim, twenty-two, fought at Detroit to prevent her husband, Baron Egon Karl Mauchenheim from being deported to Germany and beheaded under the Nazi regime.

The baroness won the battle.

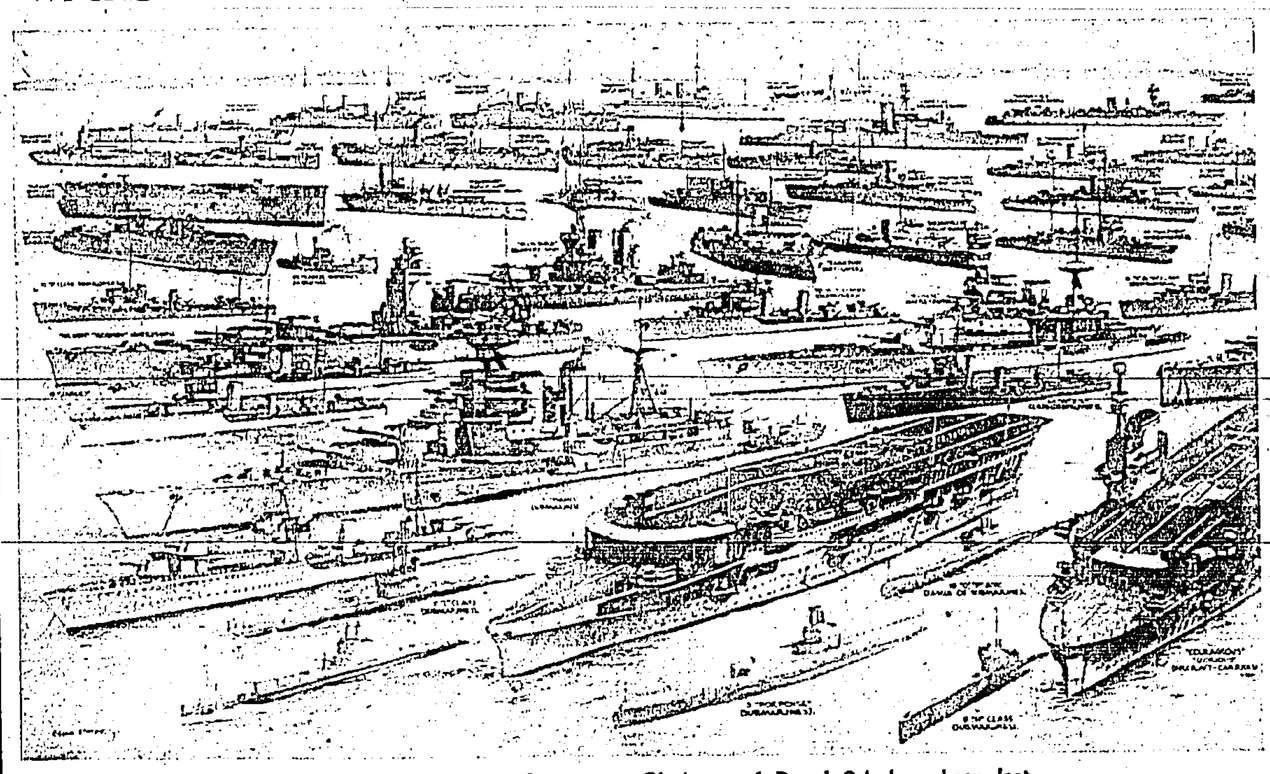
The baron, who would be condemned to death in Germany because he fled from military conscription and took his money out of Germany, was allowed to remain in the United States.

Recently the baroness filed a suit for divorce.

"Since last August," she said, "he's repeatedly told me he no longer loves me and wants to marry a woman of social position and wealth."

The baroness helped to keep their home together at Detroit by working in a fur shop.

WARSHIPS OF THE POWERS—V BRITAIN



Of the ships shown above, Courageous, Glorious and Royal Oak have been lost.

This Is Why Italy Wants Tunisia

SO Italy has at last come into the open in claiming Tunis as Italian. For more than 50 years Tunis has rankled in the Italian mind.

France occupied the country (then part of the Turkish empire) in 1881 after a hint from Prince Bismarck, who remarked to the French Ambassador that the "Tunisian pear was ripe."

And ripe it was, for Italy was powerless without German support to prevent the French occupation which Bismarck encouraged because he had, as he said on more than one occasion, a "nightmare of coalitions," and wished to see the French immersed in their colonial schemes rather than planning revenge for their defeat in the Franco-Prussian war.

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WHAT moral right had France got to Tunis? said Italy. There were 10,000 Italians there in 1881, and only 700 Frenchmen. Twenty years later things were just as bad from the French point of view. There were then 24,000 Frenchmen and 71,000 Italians.

Now, according to the most recent figures, there are 108,000 Frenchmen and 94,000 Italians. But this French superiority is partly due to many Italians acquiring French citizenship.

A lot of them were originally Italian Jews, and they are now loyal Frenchmen. Italy is pursuing her anti-Jewish policy with regard to her own citizens in Tunis, and recently some Italian Jewish doctors have been expelled from the Italian hospital there. They became French.

Curiously enough, the French in Tunis have a higher birthrate and a lower mortality rate than the Italians there. So that France feels that if she sits tight, time is on her side.

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WHAT are the guns behind this diplomacy? Let us look at the problem theoretically, in terms of military strategy.

If Italian armies marched from Libya into Tunis, all might go well for 120 miles. Then they would come to a narrow bottleneck only 15 miles wide, with the Gulf of Gabes on the right-hand side and the Lake of Jerid on the left.

I am not revealing any close military secret when I say that the French have fortified the bottleneck and could hold it against a very superior force. And in their rear they have reserves of colonial troops from Algeria.

And on sea? Here the picture is not quite so pretty for France.

Pantelleria, the island on which no foreigner has set foot for many years, is only 60 miles from the Tunisian coast. The island is a powerful air as well as naval base.

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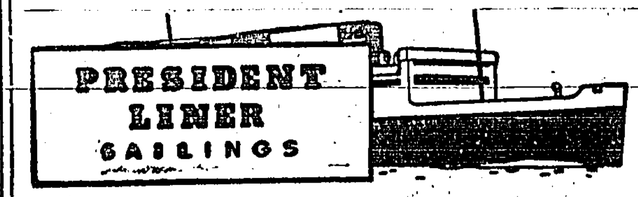
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Cooked Pears Make Delicious Desserts

By JUDITH WILSON

PEARS are good served uncooked, either as whole fruit or cut up in crescent shapes for salads and cubed to put in fruit cups. But they are even better in cooked desserts. For baking and pies ask for slightly under-ripe pears. General baking directions are: Halve and core washed fruit and arrange in baking dish. Sprinkle generously with sugar and a little salt. Dot with butter, add a very little water, cover and bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees F.) until fruit is hot. Then take off cover to cook the syrup down.

There are several interesting versions of this basic recipe. For example, honey may be used for part of the sweetening. Or the hollows of the cored fruit may be filled with brown sugar and butter. If desired, cinnamon candies may be cooked in the syrup for flavour and colour. Or add stick cinnamon or other spices. Serve hot in spicy syrup. Or serve cool with whipped cream or a garnish of cream cheese or cottage cheese.

For plain baked pears try this hot sauce. The bland flavour of the fruit goes well with spices and tart fruits.

GINGER SAUCE

2 teaspoons cornstarch
4 tablespoons cold water
4 tablespoons ginger syrup
½ cup orange juice
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon butter
2 tablespoons preserved ginger

Stir the cornstarch to a smooth paste with cold water and mix with the other liquids. Cook 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Add butter and minced preserved ginger and beat until blended. Serve hot.

CRISP SPICED PEARS

1½ cups cornflakes
1 teaspoon nutmeg
½ cup brown sugar
3½ cups pears (1 No. 2½ can)
2 tablespoons lemon juice
½ cup pear juice
Mint leaves

Crush cornflakes with a rolling pin. Add nutmeg and sugar. Mix thoroughly. Drain juice from pears, saving ½ cup. Dip pears first in lemon juice, then in cornflakes mixture. Place pears in a baking dish. Pour ½ cup pear juice into dish, and bake in a moderately hot oven (375 degrees F.) about 25 minutes or until lightly browned. Garnish with mint leaves and serve hot with cream.

PEAR COMPOTE

Cook pared, cored fruit in a syrup made from equal parts of sugar and water with a little salt. When the pears are tender enough to pierce with a straw, take them from the syrup, chill and serve with whipped cream. Or dispense with the chilling and serve them at once, hot, filled with tart jelly, and topped with a spoonful of hard sauce, grated coconut or chopped nuts.

BUTTERSCOTCH HARD SAUCE

½ cup butter
½ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 egg yolk, well beaten
4 tablespoons milk

Cream butter thoroughly. Sift sugar and add gradually to butter, creaming together until light and fluffy. Add vanilla, egg yolk, and milk and beat well. Makes 1¼ cups sauce.

CRISS-CROSS PEAR PIE

Pie crust
Pears
2 tablespoons lemon juice
⅓ cup sugar
2 teaspoons cinnamon
¾ teaspoon nutmeg
¼ teaspoon ginger

Line pie tin with pastry. Peel, quarter and slice pears until tin is well filled. Sprinkle lemon juice over pears. Combine sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and ginger, and cover fruit. Dot generously with butter dabs. Roll out top crust, cut in long strips 1 inch wide and criss-cross on top of pie.

PEAR COMPOTE CREOLE

6 cooked pear halves and juice
¾ cup cream
Shavings of unsweetened chocolate

Place pear halves in sherbet glasses and cover with juice. Whip cream thick but not stiff, topping pears generously with cream. Cover thickly with chocolate shavings, made by rubbing chocolate against shaving side of grater. Serves six.

DINNERS

Baked Veal Loaf
Chopped Spinach, Hard-Cooked Egg
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Carrot and Cabbage Slaw
Baked Pears, Ginger Sauce
Coffee

Liver and Bacon
Buttered Beets
Stringbeans in Cream
Parsley Potatoes
Pear Pie Coffee

Treatment For An Oily Skin

AN oily skin is healthy because it means that the pores are active and doing their work properly, but it never seems to be highly valued because of the complaint that make-up always looks shiny and needs constant retouching.

Excessive oiliness can be corrected, but it is not wise to use drying astringent lotions continuously because the skin still needs to be nourished and kept in a healthy condition. It is wiser to use a soft, fluffy cleansing cream at night—there is a good one which is not at all greasy although made with pure vegetable oils—and after each application to use a good gentle skin freshener. The freshener will tone and tighten the skin and prevent make-up from sinking into the pores.

A far-seeing cosmetic expert has quite recently evolved a powder base for oily skins which really does stay matt. It is a liquid make-up made in five skin tones, and it preserves a smooth, magnolia-like surface during the whole of a hard-working day. It is best to apply the lotion to the face with the finger-tips, having first poured a little into the palm of the left hand.

Cream rouge is more successful than a powder rouge with a liquid make-up, and it should be used on top of the foundation. The rouge should be kept fairly high on the cheek bones, and smoothed away until there is no definite patch of colour or visible hard edges.

A powder in a slightly darker shade should be pressed lightly into the foundation, and the surplus wiped away with a soft brush or a piece of cotton wool. A powder made with an olive oil base is best for oily skins because it is particularly clinging and the very slight percentage of oil is never sufficient to be sticky or greasy. This powder also has the invaluable asset of a special little pourer so that compacts can be filled without bother or mess.

SHORT CUTS

In hemming linen napkins, be sure to run each needleful of thread through a piece of paraffin before using to avoid knots forming in the thread.

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Even the avowed young milk teetotaler will enjoy this milk drink. Banana Punch: Press a fully ripe banana through a strainer with a spoon. Add 1 cup cold milk and, if desired, a little vanilla flavouring. Shake well in drink shaker or covered fruit jar.

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When a recipe calls for sour milk and you have none on hand, add a teaspoon of vinegar to each cup of sweet milk and use it instead.

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A wooden mixing spoon has many advantages. The handle remains cool; food mixtures will not discolour; the danger of pots and bowls getting scratched or nicked is removed.

Fashions For Men

By BARCLAY SWAIN

THIS years crop of straw hats for men will be a repeat on last year's styles—plus. Light weight, novelty weave, tropical straws, with pugree bands in all sorts of colours tell the story in a broad way. The men's hat manufacturers are making dirty faces at the millinery trade because it has swiped all their ideas and set them atop women's craniums. However, they needn't worry, the men will still wear these hats, for they are much more comfortable and cooler than the hats they used to wear.



Cocoanut Straw

Even the conventional sailor has been made much lighter and more comfortable. About 55 per cent of men wear these hats. A new one we saw had a dropped stitch braid on the sides and top. This permitted one half the straw braid to be practically nothing and allowed plenty of ventilation without an unsightly effect.



Sports Panama

Last year's success, the cocoanut straw—now widely aped by women—is out again in a new version. The straw still is the same attractive copper tan, but the braid is fancier in weave. They will try to sell you on the idea of a white pugree band for evening wear. Bands this year, except for beach hats, aren't quite so goofy. A deep blue with tiny white dots is smart looking.

Beach hats are wide brimmed affairs in nit-wit colours for men who, for the moment, want to look like lollipops on parade. Fine for the beach and a good time. Mostly they are made of raffia woven in all sorts of bad dream colours, with ropes and other goofiness for braid. They are inexpensive, shade the sun from your eyes and serve their purpose well.



Jippa Jappa

This year's brims are wider, and crowns are slightly higher in some hats. The telescope hat has been carried out in straw also. Raffia in natural shades has been used. One very unique, good looking hat was of natural raffia, with a braid to match and a small bamboo ring where the band ties. Many of these hats have brims with a slight inward curl, called a finger curl.



Straw Sailor

Most of the straws come from far-away tropical countries and are interesting in themselves. Places like the Dutch East Indies and Madagascar are sources of supply. Hemp is used also, as it was last year.

Business Girl Keep Well-Groomed

By JACQUELINE HUNT

"WHY shouldn't business girls be smart looking and well-groomed?" a homemaker asked me recently. "She has her own money to spend and time for permanents, wave-sets and facials whenever she needs them!" Being a "business girl" myself, as well as a homemaker, I couldn't help feeling indignant at her attitude. A girl who works in an office day in and day out has more beauty problems than any other.

She must combat the dull skin and lifeless hair that come from inadequate fresh air and exercise. She must do something to prevent or overcome the spreading hips and forward slump that results from hours of sitting before her desk. Carbon paper and typewriter keys are a constant menace to smooth white hands and dainty nails. Keeping her desk neat, getting her work done on time and pleasing an exacting boss are as hard on her nerves as caring for children and running a house are on those of the homemaker.

Even if she doesn't have to dash home to a small apartment and prepare her own supper, the time she has for herself after leaving her office at five o'clock or later is disturbingly inadequate. And the budget of the business girl can rarely be stretched to include as many wave-sets or manicures as she really needs. If she can manage to keep her composure and look attractive in spite of these handicaps, it is because she regards a "good impression" as an economic necessity and works harder to achieve it. She must learn beauty short-cuts wherever possible and use every moment of her spare time intelligently.

Tips for Office Girls

The following tips are for the beginning "business girl" who has not yet had time to work out her own problems. The first rule is "early to bed and early to rise." If you are a working girl, you know you must have adequate sleep, and getting up early enough in the morning for a bath or shower, face creaming, make-up and hair brushing will take at least half an hour, while an unhurried breakfast and getting to your place of business will take another half hour or more.

Put on your make-up so expertly that your face will not need retouching until your lunch hour. As a rule, you shouldn't use more make-up or more preparations than you really need. But office make-up is an exception. Even though normally you can get along without a foundation, use at least a light one for the office. Use rouge sparingly and blend it well. Then powder liberally and remove the excess. To offset any tendency this might have to cause oiliness or clogged pores, keep your skin "shiny clean" and free from all cosmetics as much as possible over the week-end when you are at home.

Or apply suntan oil and a dash of lipstick and get as much sun as possible—in a backyard, the roof, hiking in the country or at the seashore. If you can manage the latter, try to work in some simple stretching and limbering exercises, too, or take advantage of any sports that are within your means. This will help prevent that "office spread" that hips acquire after a while.

Make-up at Last Minute

Give your clothes a final inspection before you leave home. This is especially important if you wear practical dark suits or dresses at business. Apply your lipstick at the last minute so it will not be smudged or faded when you have your fruit juice and morning coffee. A pretty face doesn't excuse unbrushed collars or smudged lips.

Freshen or change your make-up at lunch time—not in the morning or afternoon when you should be at work. Don't try retouching from a powder compact or putting on lipstick at your desk, either. Either is bad taste and bad business.

Beauty repairs and most of the details of your grooming must be done at night, so make yourself a beauty schedule for major steps like shampoos, wavesets, manicures and such. Every single night you must do these things: remove old make-up and wash face and brush hair and press the wave into place, arrange the curls and put a net over them to preserve your hair-do from one shampoo to the next. Inspect and repair damaged nails, use hand lotion and apply a deodorant.

Saves On Laundry

A new and delightful way to save summer laundry bills is with glass fabric lunch cloths. When summer guests are frequent, you will have no worries about clean linen. The glass fabric is always ready. Just wipe off with soap and water after using. Off go all fruit juice drops, baby's cereal—and there is never a cigarette burn. Lovely new summer curtains in this unusual new fabric are also available.

Parasols This Summer

By ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—Are you planning to carry a parasol this summer? You are missing a good trick if you don't avail yourself of the opportunity. They are a nuisance, you say? Maybe, but since when did any such consideration stop a woman from wearing or carrying something that "does something" for her?

Parasols belong with "pretty" clothes, with feminine bonnets tied under the chin or not, and they belong, of course, with all the turn-of-the-century things that have been reinstated.

Umbrellas have gone gay on us and for such a long time that diligent trend-diggers have known all along that parasols were only a matter of time and season.

You may weep and wail that you have your hands full already, but there's always room for one more thing, especially if it "does something" for you. A pretty parasol can do plenty.

Have you fallen for the gay and giddy gloves the shops are showing? If not, you should. A pastel glove, even a brighter one when matched to parasol, hat or some detail of the costume, maybe the purse, is really a neutral costume. It also helps emphasize the particular colour of a print. Mitts are on hand again. If you wear them see that your nail harmonizes.

If you have not noticed how many red hats, usually with a matching accessory, are being worn you must be strangely oblivious to what's going on around you. Red, curiously enough, is always a good summer colour. It is good with white, gray, navy and black, not to mention a host of other things, but it must be sparingly used, an accent rather than a theme.

Don't forget red shoes or a red veil over a white hat. Which reminds me to mention that the halo type of hat, much in favour, is often worn with a veil over the face and under the brim.

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PARIS—Last midseason Schiaparelli launched Legion of Honneur red; and this is one of the important colours of spring, for all the bright, so-called military reds can be seen at any fashionable gathering, for entire hat or hat trimming, for handbag, blouse, or scarf. Even matrons, not usually given to such bright tones, are wearing red hats this summer. Legion red is comparable to the tone called castilian, luminous, frank, light, tinged neither with violet nor yellow.

Reducing Diet

For a general "tune-up" and to lose five pounds, a wellknown beauty authority suggests the following diet for ten days: Breakfast, one raw egg beaten into your favourite fruit juice, coffee or tea, no toast. Lunch: one medium helping of any desired food, but only one kind. Dinner: a large salad for the first course, anything else you want except bread or rich desserts. Before retiring a glass of fruit juice or a raw apple. Do not feel hungry at any time. If you do, eat fruit of any kind.



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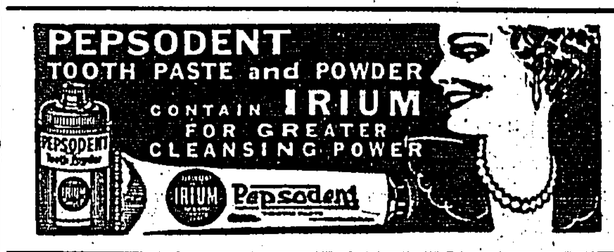
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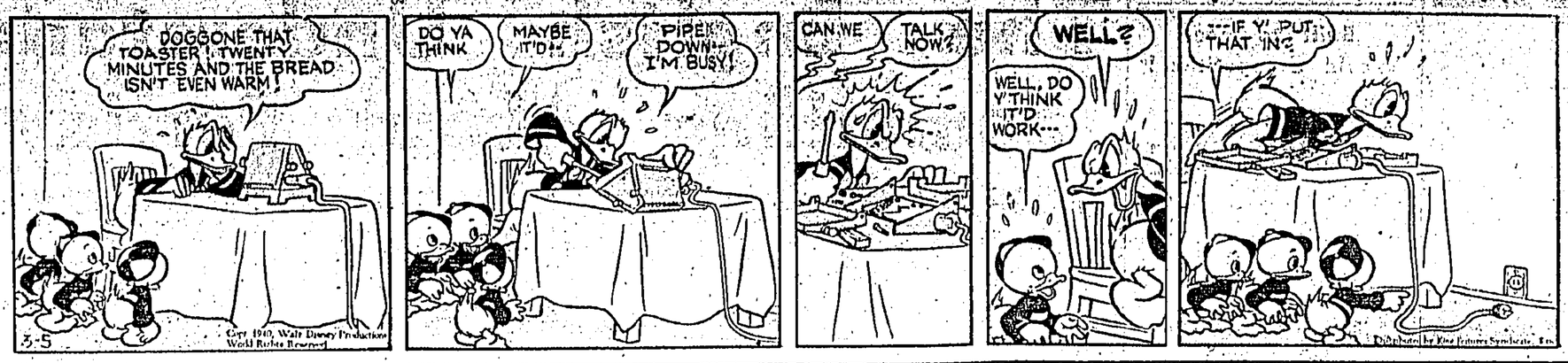
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IT was his wife who suggested that Sir Roger Keyes, hero of Zeebrugge, should wear his Admiral's uniform and medals in the House of Commons recently.

"You will never catch the Speaker's eye unless you do, Roger," she said as he was preparing to leave their house in Chelsea for Westminster.

He allowed himself to be persuaded by her, and put on the uniform which has never had to be altered even by the shifting of a single button since he wore it in the last war.

On the left breast are six rows of ribbon medals, and the sleeves are encrusted with gold bands nearly to the elbow.

His wife proved right. Sir Roger did catch the Speaker's eye and made a fighting speech that went round the world.

Had Given Up Hope.

Lady Keyes, a tall, distinguished-looking, beautiful woman, was in the Gallery when the great moment which meant so much to her came and listened intently to every word.

She had almost given up hope of ever hearing the speech. She remembered how, throughout the Munich crisis of September, 1938, her husband had carried another fighting speech in his pocket which he never got the chance to deliver though he spent four whole days in the House trying to catch the Speaker's eye and on two of them went without dinner.

All day telegrams of congratulation poured in at Sir Roger's house from every part of the world.

Admiralty To Blame

"The honour of the Navy was involved and I limited my speech to things that concerned the Navy," said Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes to a reporter.

"The failure to capture Trondheim," he added, "was, in my opinion, entirely due to the failure of the Admiralty to foresee that the Army's thrust from Namsos was doomed to failure unless British ships commanded the waters which dominated their advance along the shores of Trondheim-Fiord.

"This could have been done, if proper use had been made of ships, which could be spared and risked, without affecting the strength of the Fleet which might be required in the Mediterranean."



Princess Elizabeth, who may some day be Britain's queen shown on day before her 14th birthday. Charming photograph was taken in Windsor Great Park.

P.O. Officers Back Claim Of Govt. Servants

The Post Office Controlling Officers' Association conference at Brighton recently unanimously backed the demand of Civil Servants for a cost-of-living wage increase.

After hearing a report in private on the progress of the negotiations, the delegates endorsed the decision of the staff side of the National Whitley Council to deal urgently with the position in which the lowest paid members of the service had been placed by the increased cost of living.

DUTCH FOR SERVICE

Wilhelmina Issues Decree In London

London, June 12.

Dutch subjects not belonging to the Dutch naval or land forces may be called on to perform special services in or for the Dutch mercantile marine, if this is considered necessary in the interests of the State. A decree to this effect, signed by Queen Wilhelmina, was published to-day.

The decree empowers the Dutch Minister for Defence to issue an order for such services as may be deemed necessary. The Dutch Government already had full powers to requisition Dutch ships.—*Reuter.*

FOUND HE WAS "PROTECTED"!



Awakened by roar of airplanes, this resident of Copenhagen, Denmark, rushed to street in pajamas and slippers. There he picked up Nazi pamphlet dropped from plane, explaining "protection."

PREMIER IN FRANCE

London, June 12.

Mr. Churchill, accompanied by Mr. Anthony Eden and General Dill, Chief of the Imperial Staff, had meetings in France yesterday and to-day with Mr. Reynaud, Marshal Petain, and General Weygand.

Complete agreement was reached as to the measures which should be taken to meet developments in the war situation.

The Colonial Secretary, Lord Lloyd, returned yesterday from a short visit to Paris, where, in addition to interviews with members of the French Colonial Office, he saw certain members of the French Government. —*Reuter.*

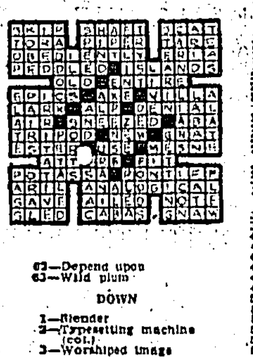
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Move smoothly
5—Suggestion
9—Greek casket
13—Beach near Venice
14—Sharpen
15—Musical instrument
16—Aboriginal Japanese
17—Desert
18—Emasculate
19—Harmed
21—Stingies
22—Drunkards
23—Excavation
24—That woman's
27—Fortune-telling
33—Make equal
35—Chamber
36—Naked clay
37—River in Russia
38—Moslem dignitary
39—Lamb's pen-name
40—Goes for a walk
41—Long period of time
44—Unit of work
45—Final proof
47—Mexican soap plant
50—Confined
55—Back of neck
56—Mountain lion
57—Roman emperor
58—Founder of Troy
59—Afghan ruler
60—Touches
61—Minus

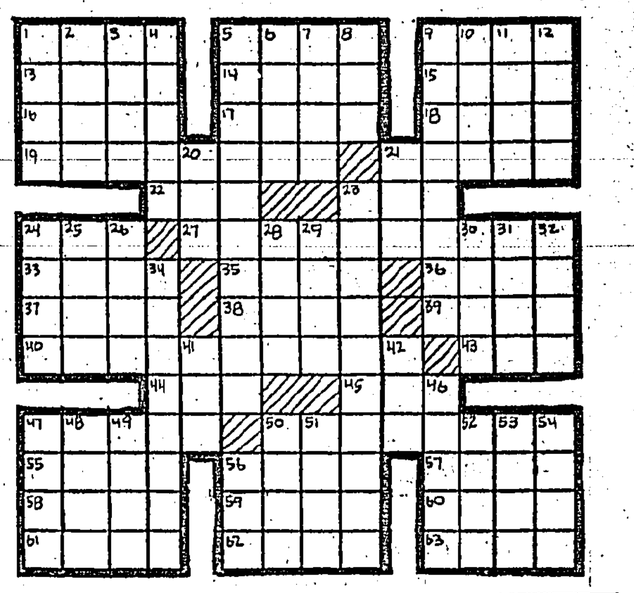
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



63—Depend upon
63—Wild plum

DOWN

1—Slender
2—Typesetting machine (col.)
3—Worshiped image
4—Put into position
5—Be talking
6—Learning
7—Lady of King Arthur's court
8—Married
9—Think
10—Antelope
11—Bottom of legs
12—Spreads for drying
20—Descendants
21—Silent (col.)
23—Systematic exposition
24—Assistance
25—Always
26—City in Nevada
28—Period of unconsciousness
29—Highway
30—Egyptian river
31—Name used by Addison
32—Bring forth young
34—Indescribable
41—Before
42—Prepare table
46—Canvas houses
47—Indigo dye
48—Masculine
49—Work of art
50—Be angry
51—Man's name
52—Lining
53—Therefor
54—Amount of medicine
58—Through



HONGKONG ESTATE

The late Mr. Johannes Petersen Ulderup, engineer, who died at the Hongkong Club on December 26 last, left local estate worth $86,800. Letters of administration to the estate with the will annexed have been granted to Mr. F. H. Loseby, the lawful attorney.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

Market was very quiet.

Buyers	Sellers	Sales
Nil	Nil	Nil

But Drake He Was a Devon Man (Captain, art tha' sleepin' there below?)

SOME people of the old Cinque Port of Hythe (Kent) are going back on the spirit of their forefathers who sailed with Drake and could play a game of bowls before sailing out to beat the Spaniards.

The Borough Bowls Club founded in 1665, has received letters from local people stating that it is wrong to play bowls in war-time, and that if the arrangements for the Mayor to open the season are persisted in the green will be secretly dug up at night.

Captain J. C. Allnatt, captain of the club who is 50, said: "We regret the attitude of these people. Most of our members are about 60, all the younger men have joined up.

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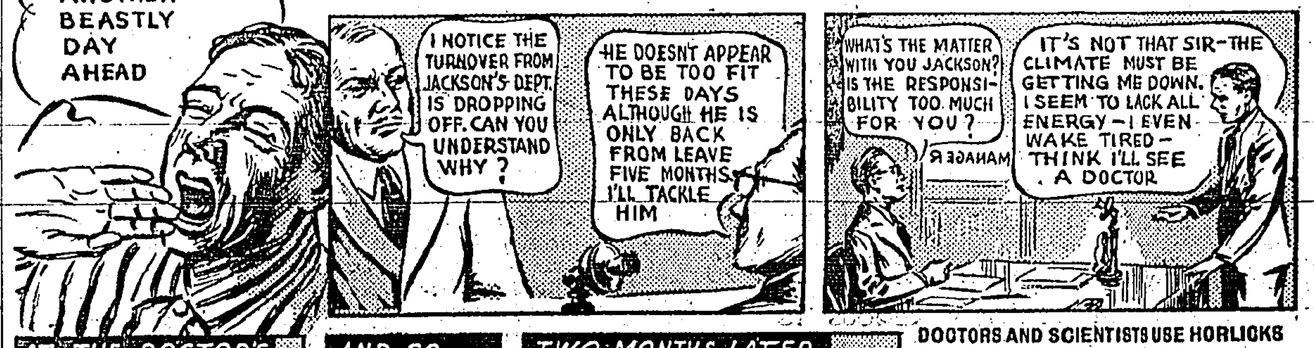
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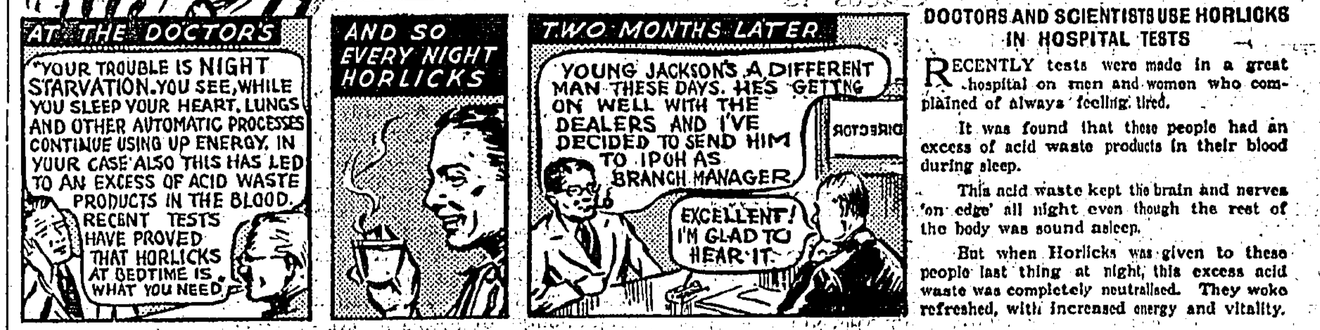
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Toll For The Brave

For the third time since the war broke out the nation has to face the news that a great vessel has been sunk, and that hundreds of brave men have been drowned. As a maritime people, we have been taught in the course of our long history to bear such blows with fortitude; it was in tacit tribute to this quality that the Admiralty gave us the grievous news that the Glorious had been lost. The effect upon Britain of such losses has always been to confirm her resolution, and inspire her men to fresh efforts to ensure that their comrades shall not have died in vain. Even in times of peace the sea exacts its steady tribute of British lives. It was inevitable from the moment when war was declared that that tribute would multiply itself many times in the months that lay ahead. What must be, must be.

Though we shall not fail to bear our loss like men, we shall also claim the right, in the words of a noble line uttered by Macduff at the extremity of his grief, to feel it like men. The sinking of a big ship has in it a specially heart-rending quality, akin to the horror caused by some great cataclysm of nature, an eruption or an earthquake, which wipes out at one blow whole cities, with all their complement of human loves, hates, hopes and fears. A battle by land may have a longer casualty list, just as more devastation may be caused by pestilence or famine than by even the fiercest volcano; but the shock to the imagination is not so cruel, or the call upon sympathy so immediately insistent, as when a community of people is overwhelmed in a moment of time. It has not yet been possible to obtain a list, but it seems certain that the number of those dead in the Glorious and her attendant destroyers must be considerable. We mourn their deaths bitterly; but we shall see to it that their lives shall not have been wasted.

The English Understand Something About Perfidy

"THE English," said Hitler "understand something about perfidy." If so, it may be accepted that this generation at least has profited by close observation of the Hitler method.

When the British Government said that that peace could only be concluded with a German Government whose word could be trusted it was abundantly justified by the long history of the Fuehrer's broken promises and perjuries.

"I have stretched out the hand of peace to the rest of the world. I am the herald of European peace," Hitler announced in 1936;

From his earliest days he has shown himself to be totally unable to keep a promise:

"Your Excellency," he said to Dr. Schweyer in 1923, "I give you my word of honour that I will never attempt a putsch"—and a few months later (November, that year) he led the unsuccessful Munich putsch. In 1936 he made the stormy protest: "Our opponents ask, 'Can we trust his proposals?' This is an insult!"

"Germany is a Veritable Island of Peace"

Again and again he has insisted on stressing his peaceful intentions:

"In the relations between nations I see no problem which is incapable of an amicable solution if handled with insight. I refuse to believe that good will lacking to-day in any responsible quarter abroad" (1933).

"The German is not merely by nature ready for peace and a lover of peace. He also is, above all, conciliatory" (1937).

"Germany is the only country which has been and will remain tranquil. Germany to-day is a veritable island of peace" (1937).

It was always from Bolshevism that he was determined to save his people. With his recent pact with Russia fresh in mind the following extracts from his speeches make strange reading:

"In no circumstances would Germany fight for the Bolsheviks. Rather than sign such a pact I would hang myself" (1935).

"I cannot make a pact with the Bolshevik regime" (1936).

"We have no intention of forcing our ideals on anybody else, but let Moscow cease to spread its barbarism" (1937).

"Three States have come together. First a European axis and now a great world triangle. I am convinced that the attempts of our old opponent (Russia) to carry unrest throughout the world will experience more and more difficulties the more the triangle is consolidated" (1937).

"To Moscow, as the centre of world Bolshevism, there would be unremitting hostility" (1938).

"What We Sign We Shall Keep Loyally"

Disregard for pledge or treaty that might hamper him has always been an obvious quality in Hitler's statecraft. From the first he chafed under the remaining provisions of the Treaty of Versailles.

"And why should we pay Reparations? We of the National Socialist party are young. We are absolutely innocent of war guilt" (1931).

And yet he could declare, "I would rather die than sign anything which could not be fulfilled or which the German nation could not accept," and "What we sign we shall keep blindly and loyally" (1933 and 1935).

But in 1936 he declared, "The Rhine pact of Locarno has lost its inner meaning and in practice has ceased to exist. Germany, on her side, therefore does not consider herself any longer tied by this dead pact."

As to the Peace Treaty, he said in 1933:

"Equally untrue are the suggestions that Germany is evading the terms of the Treaty in the matter of personnel. The accusation that the storm troops stand in any relationship to the Reichswehr, or that they are being trained as reservists, is untrue."

In 1935 he said:

"In these circumstances the German Government regards it as impossible to postpone any longer the measures necessary for the defence of Germany, still less to conceal them from the remainder of the world."

The introduction of universal military service and the promulgation of the law regarding the establishment of the new German Army he justified as "nothing else than the restoration to Germany of a status of equal rights which threatens nobody, but guarantees Germany's security." That was in 1935.

In 1937 came,

"The Treaty of Versailles is dead. Germany is free. The guarantor of this freedom is our own army."

"I Cling to the Eternal Laws of Morality"

And later in the same year:

"What really matters is that the German Army is here, and that Germany has got rid of her inferiority complex."

This was the man who could say in 1936:

"If the rest of the world clings to the letter of treaties I cling to the eternal laws of morality."

To appreciate the principles underlying his annexation of Austria and Czechoslovakia and the Polish problems which led to the war, it is worth while turning to an illuminating paragraph in "Mein Kampf."

"History," Hitler wrote, "teaches us that nations which have once given way before the threat of arms without being forced to do so will accept the greatest humiliation and exactions rather than make a fresh appeal to force.

"He who has obtained such an advantage will, if he is clever, only make his demands in small doses. When dealing with a nation which has lost all force of character owing to its having given way, he will be entitled to expect that his fresh but piecemeal demands will not be considered worth resisting by the nation from which they are made."

So it is that in 1934 we find him saying,

"Once the Saar plebiscite has been settled, then I hope that, on the other side, problems will be seen in their true light and we shall be able to conclude a sincere peace with France."

A year later he turns his attention to Memel. "Peaceful Memel was stolen by Lithuania. The people of Memel have been oppressed for years, and Germany must turn her attention to it."

"Lies that Germany Will Attack Austria"

In 1936 came the statement, "The German people do not wish to continue waging war to readjust frontiers. Each of them is bought by sacrifices out of proportion to what is to be gained." And in the same year, "We hear such lies as that Germany will attack Austria to-morrow or perhaps Czechoslovakia."

But in 1938 came these ominous references to Austria:

"It does not lie in the power of man to stop the rolling-stone of fate which, through neglect or folly, has been set moving. I am happy to say that these ideas correspond with the point of view of the Austrian Chancellor whom I invited to visit me.

"The underlying intention was to bring about a detente in our relations which would guarantee to the National Socialist sympathisers in Austria, within the limits of the law, the same rights as those enjoyed by other citizens" (February).

Then there quickly followed:

"I have decided to place the assistance of the Reich at the disposal of the millions of Germans in Austria. Since early to-day the soldiers of German armed forces have been marching over the frontier of German Austria" (March).

"My patience is at an end" has by now a familiar ring. Here it is for the first time in his utterances of September, 1938:

"Where the Sudeten German problem is concerned my patience is at an end. I have made Benes an offer The decision between peace and war is in his hands.

"Either he will accept this offer and at last give Germans their freedom, or we shall secure this freedom for them.

"I can only tell the representatives of the democracies that if these tormented creatures cannot by their own exertions come to their rights and help themselves, they will demand both their rights and assistance from us."

"My Last Territorial Claim in Europe"

The echoes of "Mein Kampf" are plainly heard in the passage in which he declared, in November, 1938:

"We always make it a habit of negotiating first, but if we do not succeed in getting our lawful rights then National Socialist Germany will know how to enforce its rights by any means that we may enforce and may cause war. . . . I will do everything to keep Germany armed."

Here is the "herald of European peace" speaking in the same month:

"I am determined to strengthen the national defences to the utmost limit, to be prepared for all eventualities."

Here are extracts from the Czechoslovakia ultimatum speech of September, 1938:

"And now the last problem which must be solved, and will be solved, confronts us. It is the last territorial claim which I have to make in Europe, but it is the claim from which I do not recede and which I shall fulfil, God willing. . . . I am grateful to Mr. Chamberlain for all his efforts, and I have assured him that the German people want nothing but peace.

"I have assured him, and I stress it now, that when this problem is solved Germany has no more territorial problems in Europe."

In saying farewell to Mr. Chamberlain at Godesberg, Hitler repeated with great earnestness that this was the last of his territorial ambitions in Europe and that "he had no wish to include in the Reich people of other races than German."

So we come to 1939, and all the honesty of his professions evaporates:

"Since England, to-day, upholds the view that Germany should be opposed under all circumstances and confirms it by the policy of encirclement known to us, the basis of the Navy Treaty has been removed."

With that he denounced the naval pact with Britain.

"A Pact with Our Great Neighbour Poland"

"Danzig is a German city and wishes to belong to Germany. On the other hand, this city has contracts with Poland, which were admittedly forced upon it by the Versailles Treaty."

In these words was his intention to demand Danzig foreshadowed; but in 1934, after the Polish-German non-aggression treaty had been signed, he had said:

"A pact has been signed with Poland, and by that the Reich has clearly shown its wish to maintain good relations with this great neighbour."

The belated pretext for a deliberate change of policy towards Poland was Britain's guarantee to that country when it was already threatened and Poland's pledge of assistance to us. In his speech of April 28, 1939, Hitler declared:

"This obligation (by Poland) is contrary to the agreement which I made with Marshal Pilsudski some time ago, seeing that in this agreement reference is made exclusively to existing obligations at that time, namely, to the obligations of Poland towards France of which we were aware.

"I therefore look upon the agreement which Marshal Pilsudski and I at one time concluded as having been unilaterally infringed by Poland and thereby no longer in existence."

Here, then, is the brief chronicle of promises, pledges and perfidy which the British Government had in mind when making its declaration of policy.

"For what is he they follow?
Truly, gentlemen,
A bloody tyrant and a homicide;
One raised in blood, and one in blood established. . . ."

OUR WAR-TIME SOIREE

THERE was some swithering among the mighty men of our village as to the advisability of holding the kirk soiree this year. But tradition dies hard, and the war itself could hardly be a greater calamity than the omission of the annual spree in the kirk.

"Whit aboot the black-oot?" speired the beadle dismally. "It wad be a sair affront gin the Germans cam' owre an' us haudin' a jollification i' the hoose o' God."

The beadle has no soft spot for such ploys as soirees; there are too many burst pokes and conversation lozenges to be swept up the next day.

"Man," said big Sandy, the elder, "the wee bit wauchle o' licht that your auld lamps gi'e wadna' attract a moth, faur less a German. Ye can hing up some auld curtains gin ye're feart for bombs."

"H'm," said the beadle. "It's nae use speakin' to you. Ye'll be gaun to sing likely. Och aye! the same auld sang, 'The Lum Hat.'"

"Naethin' o' the sort! I've got a new ane for the occasion—a patriotic ane."

"Ay, I'll believe it when I hear it. Ye've been singin' 'The Lum Hat' noo for thirty years, so it's no' likely your thrapple'll tak' to a new ane."

"Wait an' see," said big Sandy mysteriously.

* * *

It was decided at length to hold the kirk soiree on a moonlight night, but somehow or other the moon did not seem to co-operate, for on the great night a grim blackness descended on the village. It was hardly lighter inside the kirk, for the beadle had not only hung up curtains but zealously shrouded the lights with much more caution than was necessary.

"D'ye think we're gaun to play at blind man's buff?" said big Sandy, who was short-sighted at any time. "Michty me! a cat couldna' see a moose i' this licht."

Things were so bad at the back of the kirk that one worthy was heard to remark, "Jings, I was sittin' next Jock Broon for hauf an hoor afore I kent wha he was."

But the jovial spirit of the kirk soiree was in no way quenched by the sepulchral gloom, especially when the pokes were handed round and the conversation lozenges dealt out. Some consternation, however, was caused by not being able to read the inscriptions on the lozenges. The cobbler, especially, was dumbfounded to receive "I love you" from his sworn enemy, Mrs. M'Tosh, who would have been equally astounded had she been able to read, "Can you spare a kiss?" which he handed back.

The beadle as usual was anxious to avoid poke-bursting. "We'll no' ken whuther it's guns or no," he grunted pessimistically.

"The life an' sowl o' the pairty," said big Sandy. "Wait till ye hear ma sang!"

"H'm, I've heard it for thirty years. I'm gaun through to the vestry when ye tak' the flair."

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When the pokes began to explode, he shuddered and wandered out to the door, just to make sure that the enemy were not stealing on them unawares. But he came back when he heard the minister starting off the programme with his usual round of jokes. The dim figures in the dingy pews shook with appreciative laughter, but though the beadle occasionally gave a grunt—which might have been a suppressed laugh—he did not hold with such unseemly mirth in the "hoose o' God."

Mellowed with tea and the contents of the pokes, the audience sat back to enjoy themselves. Though they could scarcely see the performers, the kirk soiree had for years followed such a well-known pattern that they had no difficulty in recognising the "artistes."

Mrs. M'Tosh coyly faced them, threw back her head, closed her eyes, and launched forth into:—"I Passed By Your Window."

"By jings" muttered the beadle, "I ken whit I wad do wi' ye gin ye passed by ma wundda, singin' like that!"

"Ye should hire her for an air-raid warnin'," quoth big Sandy, when she had reached her top note.

But the beadle's only reply was:—"Ye'll no' be muckle better yersel', ma man."

After Mrs. M'Tosh's rendering had come to a skirling close, the dominie gave his usual "selection" on the fiddle, and did not stop till every string was broken and the audience, hidden in the gloom, were half-dovering.

They sat up, however, when it came at last to big Sandy's turn.

"Mr. Alexander Mackay will give his usual rendering of 'The Lum Hat,'" beamed the minister.

"Naethin' o' the sort, meenister," said big Sandy, fumbling in his pocket. "Ladies an' gentlemen, I ha'e noo the pleesure o' singin' an entirely new sang: 'The Sodger's Return.'"

Loud applause and cries of "Guid auld Sandy" issued from the audience. Sandy bowed, cleared his throat, and peered at his notes.

"Can ye no' turn up the lichts?" he said, in an anxious aside to the beadle, but that worthy unhelpfully muttered something about "regulations" and faded further into the background.

It was unfortunate that Sandy, whose memory was as short as his eyesight, had not succeeded in getting the words of his new song off by heart, nor could he read the notes in the dim light.

"Ca' awa', Sandy," came encouragingly from the audience.

"It'll be 'The Lum Hat' efter a'," groaned the beadle, and big Sandy, seeing there was no other way out, was regretfully forced to shove "The Sodger's Return" back into his pocket and launch forth, on his well-tried favourite. The audience, however, were in no way disconcerted. As they remarked when scaling: "The kirk soiree wadna' be the same without Sandy's Lum Hat."

As the beadle was turning out the "lights," he remarked maliciously:—"Man, Sandy, I likit your new sang!"

But big Sandy did not take up the challenge. Instead he handed the beadle a conversation lozenge, inscribed:—"Lighten up my darkness," remarking:—"Sook that gaun hame, ma' man, an' mind your step, or the Germans'll get ye!"

Lavinia, Derwent.

A LINGERING LOVE

HOW true are the words of the Latin poet:—"I know not by what sweet charm our native soil attracts us to it and does not suffer us ever to forget it."

Travelling in New England some time ago, we were shown over a residence for the elderly. The spacious rooms, the organisation, and attention by which the occupants were made comfortable were as much a joy as the brightness and activity of the lady, about 65 years young—who showed our small group round. Characteristically American remarks were passed, especially regarding the place from which each had come, the answers revealing that not only were Americans of the company but visitors from European countries also.

The writer had remained silent but observant until courtesy made a remark necessary, when at once our guide seemed to become, if possible, more alert than before.

With both eyes and voice indicating a recognition of something with which she had long been familiar, she quietly, yet in the broadest of American speech, asked, "And where do you come from?"

To my confession of being from Edinburgh she replied—and there was an obvious yearning in her voice—"Ah, Edinburgh! I ought to know Edinburgh. My father left Edinburgh as a young man. He came to this country and we, his girls, born here, knew Edinburgh well from his frequent and affectionate descriptions.

"How he loved Edinburgh! How he hoped and tried to see it again in his later years! He became frail, but ever continued to speak of the far-off—yet ever dear city of his youth. A time came when he seemed to be passing and to those around him he said quietly, 'I'm not feeling very well so I'll try and sleep, but before I tak' the lang road, I'll hae a dander round by Edinburgh again.'"

J. W.

WHAT IL DUCE IS GAMBLING AGAINST

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The following are some facts from an authoritative source concerning the economic position of Italy:

(1) 75 per cent. of Italy's whole import trades are sea-carried. Fifty-five per cent. enters the Mediterranean via Gibraltar and six per cent. via Suez;

(2) Italian self-sufficiency is far below Germany's. While she possibly will be able to feed herself for a year, she is gravely deficient in essential raw materials such as iron, coal, coke, petroleum, timber, copper, tin and rubber;

Dangerous Scarcity

(3) Even supposing that the Allies are forced temporarily to abandon the Mediterranean, Italy and Germany would find themselves dangerously short of nickel, tin, molybdenum, cobalt, tungsten, copper, rubber textiles and Colonial produce;

(4) With the Allies in control of the Mediterranean, Italy's position is even more serious. The only external supplies available would be from the exportable surplus of domestic produce in Central Europe, the Balkans, Russia, Switzerland and Scandinavia, in all of which she must compete with both for materials and transportation. (For example, there are insufficient tank-waggons to carry petroleum both to Italy and Germany from Rumania). The Italian forces in East Africa, moreover, would have to subsist on the stocks already accumulated;

Becomes Liability

(5) Once her very limited accumulation of war stocks is consumed, Italy thus becomes an increasing liability to Germany and a competitor for the same available resources, including Germany's own stocks. Moreover, the considerable gap of the blockade hitherto constituted by Italy acting as a channel for Germany's import and export trade with the outside world is closed. Italy has no export surplus for Germany except possibly fruit and vegetables. There will thus be a substantial loss in their combined economic potential as soon as Italy has consumed her stocks of strategic raw materials and finished goods.

Can Only Last Months

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Economic experts in London point out that Italy's capacity to endure the war must be reckoned in terms of months rather than years.

Sixty-one per cent. of Italy's pre-war trade lay outside the Mediterranean and now it will be lost.

The greater part of her essential war materials has also come from beyond the Mediterranean and this will be completely cut off.

Mussolini is known to have been laying in stocks of war materials since last September, but owing to Italy's bad credit position, these stocks cannot be large enough to tide the country over more than a few months of warfare.

Precarious Position

As far as many of Italy's lost imports are concerned, she will be a liability rather than an asset to Germany.

More than 80 per cent. of Italian petrol imports came from beyond the Mediterranean and the bulk of the remainder from Rumania. Clearly Italy cannot obtain more from the latter source at the expense of Germany.

For coal, Italy will have to rely on German supplies and 40 per cent. of these have lately been carried over the Frankfurt-Basle railway, which is very vulnerable to military action.

A great deal of Italy's pre-war food supplies were also imported from countries outside the Mediterranean and Italy can only replace these by competing in the Balkans with her ally, who is already badly hit by the blockade.

The goods Britain has normally imported from Italy are stated to be relatively unimportant and can be obtained without difficulty from other countries.

BRITAIN'S PACT WITH THAILAND

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, announced in the House of Commons to-day that a non-aggression pact had been signed between Great Britain and Thailand (Siam).

Mr. Butler said that the British Government warmly welcomed this agreement as confirming the long established friendly relations between this country and the people and Government of Thailand, and as introducing a further element of stability in south-eastern Asia.

A similar agreement, said Mr. Butler, had been signed between France and Thailand at Bangkok. A treaty of friendship between the Government of Thailand and Japan was also signed to-day in Tokyo.

STOCK EXCHANGE CHEERFUL

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange was generally cheerful with the prices of most of the leading groups tending to rise despite the small volume of trading.

Gilt-edged securities were firm. Home-rails notably strengthened. Foreign bonds were steady.

Of the industrials, gains outnumbered losses. Gold-mining shares benefitted on better support while the leading oil shares improved.

Wall Street was firm.

CHINESE CUSTOMS SERVICE

M.P.'s Warning In House Of Commons

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Major General Sir A. W. F. Knox put forward a question regarding the Chinese Customs administration.

He asked whether they had been able to resist foreign interference.

Continues To Function

Mr. R. A. Butler, Secretary of State, in replying, said that despite obvious difficulties during the past three years, this international service had been able to continue to function under the able administration of Sir Frederick Maze.

The light-house and harbour departments, which had an important bearing on foreign shipping, were under the technical control of a Const Inspector, who is at present an American appointed by Sir Frederick Maze and under his administrative control.

Mr. Butler added that the International Bankers Commission had ceased many years ago in order to exercise the effective control of Custom's revenue.

Pertinent Questions

"Does the Under-Secretary of State realise that this organisation is the only foundation on which trade, shipping and finance rests in China?" enquired Major-General Knox. "Does he realise that if any other foreign Powers get hold of it, British interests would be irretrievably destroyed?"

Mr. Butler replied that the organisation's importance and international character were fully appreciated. He added, however, that Major-General Knox had done service by drawing their attention to its importance.

GERMANS NOW HAMMERING

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Evreux and Pacy-sur-Eure, but is being vigorously held by our troops.

Elsewhere, he launched reconnaissance detachments on the north bank of the Seine in the direction of Caudebec.

Lower Oise Assaults

On the Lower Oise, he has made contact with our troops in the region of Persan and Beaumont.

Between the Oulse and the Ourcq, his advance guards have started violent attacks in the region of Crepy-en-Valdis and Betz.

On the Marne in the neighbourhood of Chateau Thierry, enemy masses coming from the north have succeeded in taking certain elements to the south bank.

In Rheims Region

In the Rheims region, the enemy has thrown into battle new tank and motorised units. The entire mechanised corps, comprising three or four armoured divisions and two or three motorised divisions, has entered into the struggle.

After a bitter struggle, our divisions have withdrawn step by step and in order, to Montagne-de-Rheims.

To the north-east of Rheims, information gathered from prisoners shows that the enemy sustained very heavy losses from counter-attacks of our mechanised units and the continued bombardments of our air force.

Some of our squadrons went five times into battle during the day.

Between the Aisne and the Meuse, the enemy did not renew his attacks.

Withdrawal To Paris

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—A spokesman said to-day that further east in the Oise sector the French High Command decided two days ago to withdraw on the advanced defences of Paris the troops who were fighting at Armund, Compeigne and Soissons.

The French forces are now engaged north of Paris in the neighbourhood of Senlis.

The German troops from the Soissons region advanced through the plateau south of the Aisne where there has been bitter fighting near La FerteMilon and Fere-en-Tardenois.

The French line was then withdrawn to the Marne region around Chateau Thierry.

New Fighting Front

Thus the active fighting front now extends from the lower Seine near Rouen across the lower Oise to Meaux, 30 miles north-east of Paris, and thence along the Marne towards Rheims.

On the high Tardenois plateau between the Aisne and Marne rivers, the Germans are thrusting eastwards towards Rheims with four or five divisions two of which are armoured divisions.

Fighting is going on in the hills in the Rheims area.

This thrust was part of the pincer movement aimed at Rheims itself but the Germans engaged on the other arm of the pincer were being held up by French at Retourne.

Lively fighting has occurred in this sector during the past few days.

Similarly, the Germans failed to dent the French line further east through Attingny and Argonne.

FRENCH PROMISE TO ITALIANS

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—The French Government announced that it would not intern Italian residents in France who have made a declaration of loyalty to France and have remained at the disposal of the military authorities.

Most Italians in France have already signed this agreement.

ENERGETIC ACTION ON HOME FRONT

WAR MATERIALS INCREASE

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, in a speech given here to-day said that in the past month there had been marked and material increases in output.

On Monday he made an order bringing 1,463 works undercontrol.

"We are steadily and swiftly reducing inessential production and putting across plans for the allocation of material as between civil and war needs and as between less and more urgent requirements," he declared.

Mr. Morrison continued by saying that this was far more than a military struggle. It was a struggle for Europe's, and perhaps the world's, soul.

Franco Must Be Saved

"We must not let the enemy frighten or depress us by his screaming and banging," he said. "France must and will be saved. She will save herself by her own efforts and will be saved by every ounce and atom of help that Britain can bring to her aid."

He said he had three reasons for reasonable hope:

1.—The appreciable and steadily growing material help from America.

2.—That Britain was fully awake and would mobilise as never before under a leader worthy of her.

3.—Although slow to action, the British went into action and showed a resourcefulness, inventiveness and knack of adapting odd and unsuspected means to great and unexpected ends.

"The British have the power to draw down achievements almost from the empty air," he continued.

"All this was seen in Dunkirk. I commend it to you as a portent. In that sign we shall conquer."

Defence Of Paris

Military Governor's Proclamation

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—The Military Governor of Paris has instructed all public services and two departments east and west of the capital to remain at their posts.

It is stated that the defence of the capital will not be a strategic and isolated operation, but that Paris will remain a bastion within the framework of the entire French line.

1,000,000 Leave City

The withdrawal of the French Government is now complete, and Government wireless stations are now operating from the provinces.

The roads south and west of Paris are crowded with refugees and the authorities estimated yesterday afternoon that 1,000,000 people had already left the city.

FAMOUS POLISH SUBMARINE LOST

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lights on the Orzel, and peppered her with rifle fire.

Runs Aground

The submarine made for the entrance of the harbour where she ran aground. Despite rifle fire the crew managed to get out. They first landed the guards on a small island, and sent out a radio that they were safe.

Then for a fortnight the submarine cruised around, chiefly in shallow waters, in which the vessel frequently grounded. On the 38th day, when water supplies were running low, the crew decided to reach England.

In the North Sea, their radio went out of action so that they could put out no recognition signals, thus placing themselves at the mercy of both British and German anti-submarine craft.

In Skagerrak Action

However, the submarine managed to get a faint message through to a British shore station, and a British destroyer went out and escorted the submarine into harbour after 44 days of exciting adventures.

Later, the Orzel, in company with other units of the Polish Navy, became affiliated with the British Navy, and she took part in the great naval action in the Skagerrak and Kattegat, where she sank several Nazi transports.

U.S. Manufacture Of Munitions

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The War Department is turning over to private industry its reserve machinery for the manufacture of powder, small arms, ammunition and ammonia.

President Roosevelt's secretary also stated that the War Department was making excellent progress in survey materials and a survey of materials supplies that may be advantageously declared to be surplus materials and which will be turned over to the steel export company.

JAPANESE TAKE ICHANG SUBURBS

HANKOW, June 13. (Reuter)—Japanese troops were reported to have occupied the suburbs of Ichang yesterday evening after an all-day bombing operation.

CIVIL DEFENCE COMPLETE

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—A striking indication of the large scale precautionary measures of the home defence was given by the Home Secretary, Sir John Anderson, in the course of a debate in the House of Commons to-day.

The issue of necessary equipment for civil defence services was complete, he said.

Sixty million respirators, including children's respirators and babies helmets, had been issued as well as 3,000,000 steel helmets and 1,500,000 oil skin suits.

The number of stirrup pumps issued ran into six figures.

The total establishment of the civil defence personnel, paid and unpaid, was just short of a million.

Enormous Personnel

The fire services accounted for an additional 200,000, the auxiliary police 60,000 and the personnel in connection with the health casualty services numbered over 250,000.

The evacuation services total numbers enrolled and kept available amounted to 100,000.

Sir John Anderson mentioned that the whole subject of civil defence had taken a new turn because they had to now consider bombing attacks, invasion and parachute attacks for which they must be prepared.

There had to be the fullest collaboration between the military and civil authorities. He felt sure that the civil defence organisation now established would make a notable contribution to the co-operative effort now called for.

Mr. C. R. Attlee suggested that the debate could, if desired, be continued in secret.

However, after various views had been expressed it was decided to continue the discussion in public.

Church Bells To Peal Warning

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Church has been called in to assist in dealing with parachutists.

The Archbishop of Canterbury today revealed that Sir John Anderson has requested that church bells be rung as a warning of the approach of parachutists or air borne troops.

The Archbishop has promised that the Church will comply.

U.S. Senator Warns, "No War" Vote

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—"We ought to serve notice that a majority of the Senators are not going to get into it," declared Senator Wheeler in the Senate to-day.

Senator Wheeler is a Democratic candidate for Presidential nomination.

He added that he would break with the Democratic Party if it became a "War Party".

Nazis Start To Eat Dogs

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is learned here that because of the food situation in Germany an order has been issued for the destruction of all dogs except those used for military purposes.

About 3,000,000 dogs will be slaughtered.

Submarine Overdue

Polish Vessel Believed To Be Lost

London, June 12.

The Polish Naval Staff in London announces that as the return of the submarine Orzel from patrol is now considerably overdue, she must be presumed lost.—*Reuter.*

Knows Nazi Strength

London, June 12.

During question time in the House of Commons to-day Mr. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, declared that he had information as to the number of swift torpedo boats possessed by Germany and of their speed.—*Reuter.*

ROME ULTIMATUM

Minister Hands Note To Egypt

Cairo, June 12.

The Italian Minister has handed an ultimatum to the Egyptian Government but the terms have not yet been divulged.

The Chamber has resolved to sever diplomatic relations with Italy.

About 700 Italians have been rounded up throughout Egypt and interned near the Red Sea.—*United Press.*

B.W.O.F. KNITTERS

The sewing and knitting meetings for the British War Organisation Fund, until recently held in H.M.S. Tamar will recommence at the China Fleet Club on June 19 and be held each subsequent Wednesday from 9.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.

OTTAWA, June 12. (Reuter).—Mr. J. Pierrepont Moffat, the new United States Minister to Canada, arrived here to-day to take up his duties.

R.A.F. Operations

Nazi Columns Raked With M. G. Fire

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique records the continuation of repeated R.A.F. bombings on enemy columns in the loops of the Seine River, east of Rouen and adjacent to a wooded area.

Low-flying machine-gun attacks were also made.

Two enemy fighters were shot down.

Four of our aircraft are missing.

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Road junctions were blocked and the woods set ablaze.

The night operations included the bombing of key points in the rear of the fighting zones.

Cologne Raided

Other aircraft attacked military objectives in Cologne and elsewhere in western Germany.

During a reconnaissance over northern Italy, heavy bombers operating from Britain attacked military objectives at Turin. Others bombed targets at Genoa.

One of our heavy bombers is missing.

During yesterday's operations over France, at least eight enemy aircraft were destroyed.

One of our fighters is missing.

Off the south-east coast this morning a Spitfire shot down a Heinkel bomber.

ELIMINATING FIFTH COLUMN

Energetic Measures In Britain

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Replying to the debate in the House of Lords on Government measures to suppress Fifth Column activities, the Duke of Devonshire, the Under-Secretary for India and Burma, said he had been asked whether an approach was made to America on the question of taking refugees or enemy aliens.

The Government is in touch with the United States on that and other problems.

11,000 Now Interned

Shipping questions are involved and events may take such a course that shipping may be wanted for other purposes than conveying refugees to America.

Dealing with recent Home Office orders, the Duke of Devonshire declared that 11,000 Germans and Austrians are now interned, against 2,800 on May 11.

It would not be in the public interest for him to disclose the other steps taken against Fifth Column interests.

Protected Areas In Britain

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Two further coastal strips of approximately 20 miles wide were to-day declared protected areas under the new aliens' order.

One strip runs from the eastern boundary of the East Anglian area northward to the northern boundary of East Riding, Yorkshire, and the other from the western boundary of the Kent area to Land's End.

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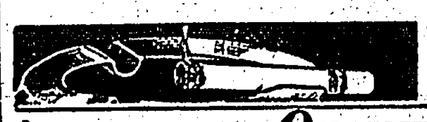
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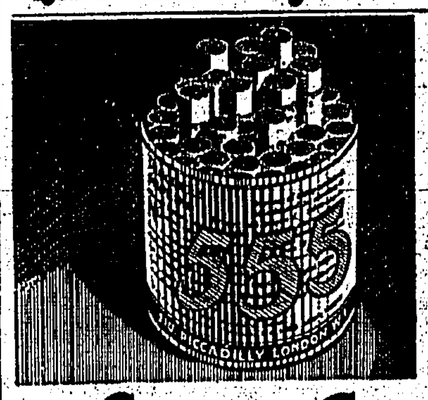
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SPORTS NEWS FROM HOME

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION AT WIMBLEDON

Cricketers Subscribe To Red Cross Fund

THE WIMBLEDON "CHAMPIONSHIPS" mentioned last week, have been explained. A report in a Home newspaper recently arrived in the Colony states that an *International* tennis tournament has been staged for Wimbledon this month. Miss Cleather, Secretary of the All-England Club stated that it will be a two-day meeting, and many of the leading men and women have signified their intention to take part.

Mrs. Menzies (Kay Stammers) started the ball rolling in the same direction, namely in aid of the British Red Cross Fund, when a little while ago she partnered Peggy Scriven against Jean Nichol and B. Yorke.

It may not be that as an International event it will be highly successful, for though no mention is made of what foreign talent there is in England at the moment it isn't likely to amount to much. But, at least, among the British players themselves a sufficient number of the ranking players are available to make up for the deficiency.

War workers in and around London and those who can obtain leave to take part include R. A. Shayes (navy, it is understood, in the R.A.F.), D. W. Butler, M. D. Delaford, Flying Officer C. E. Malfroy, R. J. Ritchie, E. R. Avory, Flying-Officer L. Shaffi, Pilot-Officer D. Haskell (Britain's leading professional), Miss Joan Ingram and the above mentioned four women.

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MEMBERS playing during the season for clubs affiliated to the Club Cricket Conference are asked to contribute a penny for every match in which they take part.

This was decided at the annual general meeting of the C.C.C. in response to an appeal made by Mr. S. Christopherson, President of the M.C.C. It is estimated that if Clubs support this appeal and collect the small sums after each game the Red Cross Fund will eventually benefit to the extent of £750.

Owing to the fact that amateurs, professionals and colts are engaged in war work, there will be no Kent county cricket during the coming season. This fact is revealed in the annual report of the County Committee.

Meanwhile, it is stated, the Committee has instructed the Canterbury Committee to carry on the business of the club during the war unless special circumstances should arise, and members have been invited to continue all of part of their subs. during the war. A total of 313 members, including 51 juveniles, joined and 321 resigned from the club or died during 1939. The total number of Members is 3,166. The accounts show a loss of £293 2s. 8d. compared with a balance of £2,001 12s. 2d. for 1938.

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THE birth of a son to Mrs. Nancy Glover, wife of Captain Philip Glover, R.N. is announced. Mrs. Glover, the elder daughter of Sir Leonard Lyle, has represented Great Britain in the Wightman Cup at Wimbledon and in New York. She was runner-up to Miss Dorothy Round in the Australian singles championship of 1935. Captain Glover has won the tennis championship of the Navy 8 times.

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CAMBRIDGE University are making a determined effort to arrange cricket matches at Fenner's, and fixtures with the London Counties XI, the Club Cricket Conference, and Cambridegeshire are practically certain. J. R. Thompson, the captain, is expected to be in residence, and in addition to J. Webster, the secretary, there will be several Crusaders available.

Surrey C.C.C. have arranged a series of two-day games during the coming cricket season, at Dulwich, Guildford, Richmond and Wimbledon. More fixtures are expected, and other club grounds may be used.

Guildford attracted attention last year and in 1938, when Surrey broke their custom of playing all their county matches at the Oval.

Dulwich have a large ground near Herne Hill, and the Richmond ground is on the Kew road.

There has been no move yet to get a Home Office decision on cricket crowds, but in most outdoor sports there now seems to be a definite drift towards 50% of a ground's total capacity.

Already, as far as Soccer is concerned, the two biggest grounds in Britain, Hampden Park and Wembley, have received sanction for 75,000 and 50,000 respectively—half their 'house-full' crowds.

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SYDNEY Wooderson ran an exhibition mile in 4 min. 25 sec. at the Northern Public Schools athletic meeting in Manchester on May 18.

He had W. E. Becker, of Blackheath Harriers, and Manchester A.C., as pacer, but left him behind in the third lap.

Twenty five schools, represented by 155 athletes, competed for the team championship, which was won by Cheadle Hulme, Manchester, with 71 points.

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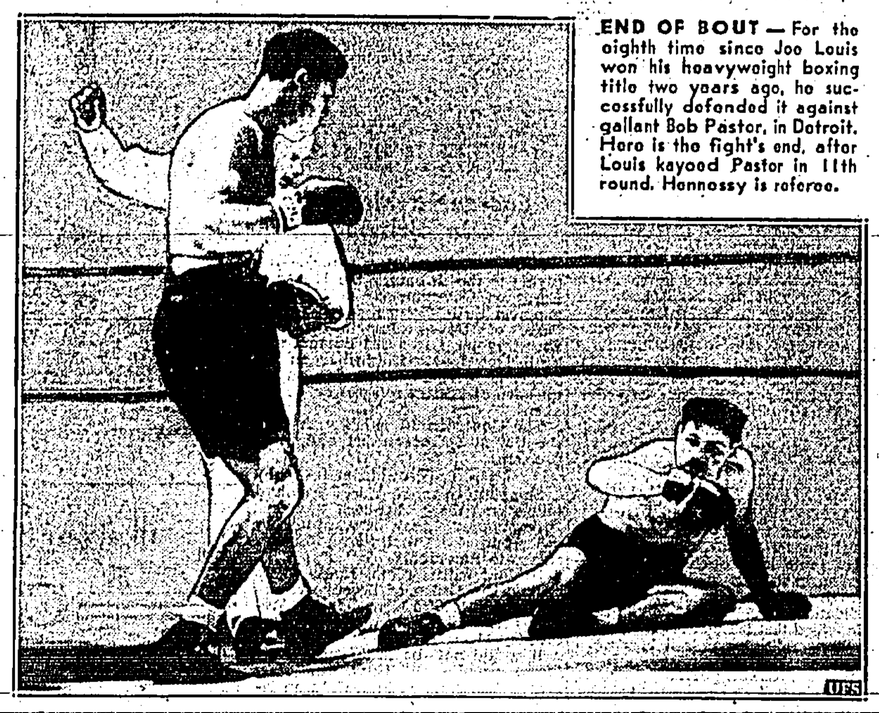
For Heavyweight Title

Opponent For Joe Louis

NEW YORK, June 12 (UP).—Mike Jacobs, the world famous boxing promoter, has matched Billy Conn with Bob Pastor in a 15-rounds heavyweight bout on August 13 at the Polo Grounds.

The winner will probably meet Joe Louis for the world crown in September.

HOW THE FIRST PASTOR-LOUIS BOUT ENDED



END OF BOUT — For the eighth time since Joe Louis won his heavyweight boxing title two years ago, he successfully defended it against gallant Bob Pastor, in Detroit. Here is the fight's end, after Louis kayoed Pastor in 11th round. Hennessy is referee.

Water-Polo At The European Y.M.C.A.

Seniors Beat 7th A.A. Bty; Juniors And R.A.S.C. Draw

TWO WATER POLO MATCHES were played at the European Y.M.C.A. last night; in the senior game the "Y" accounted for the 7th Anti-Aircraft Battery, Royal Artillery, by 2-1, and in the junior game, the "Y" (strengthened by the inclusion of three seniors) drew 3-3 with the Royal Army Service Corps.

The "Y" took a two goals' lead against the Gunners in the first half through May and Dodd. The former was playing up to his usual standard. He effectively blocked the centre of the pool for Page and Robinson, and at the same time kept an ever watchful eye on his forwards and placed his passes where they were most effective.

Hunt and Dodd, the wingers, were an improvement and though the latter scored one of the first-half goals, his value would have been considerably increased had he passed on occasions instead of trying shots from difficult angles.

In defence, Eardley (goal), Benn and Chater worked hard, and with powerful clearances kept the Gunners' attack from being as penetrating as it might have been.

GOOD 'KEEPING

The Gunners were best served by Whittle, in goal. He figured in numerous saves, though his clearances were not very accurate. Wilson was the power of the backs. Yabsley was being repeatedly pulled up for wrong tackling.

Molyneaux, centre half, lost several openings for his forwards through weak passing. He was, nevertheless, a great trier, and his efforts contributed to make the forward line continually threatening. Page was the best of the forwards, though it was through Wilson that the Gunners reduced arrears in the second half.

The teams were:

Y.M.C.A.—H. Eardley; L. H. Chater, L. A. Benn; G. T. May; A. R. Hunt, R. Goldman, A. Dodd.

7th A.A.—Whittle; Wilson, Yabsley; Molyneaux; Page, Robinson, Vascoe.

R.A.S.C. Almost Manage A Victory

THE R.A.S.C. almost managed victory against the "Y" Juniors, conceding a goal in the last quarter of the game to allow the "Y" to draw 3-all.

The Service Corps also threw away many opportunities in the second half by disorganised attack. Andrews and Martin were the pick of the defence.

All three goals for the "Y" were scored by the seniors, May and Chater (2). The "Y" led 2-1 at the interval, Andrews having scored for the Service Corps.

In the second half, Richards broke away twice and recorded goals to give the R.A.S.C. the lead 3-2. This they maintained until almost the end when Chater scored his second.

The teams were:

Y.M.C.A.—Martin; L. A. Benn, F. Willis; G. T. May; F. A. Weller, B. S. Wilson, L. H. Chater.

R.A.S.C.—Reid; Andrews, Thomas; Martin; Theaker, Richards, Beatson-Sneddon.

Baseball

Boston Red Sox Beat Indians

NEW YORK, June 12 (UP).—Boston Red Sox, now leaders in the American Baseball League, moved further ahead of the Detroit Tigers to-day with a 9-5 victory over the Cleveland Indians—Detroit being beaten by the New York Yankees 7-5.

The scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	5	13	0
Battery: Milnar, Harder, Naymick, Hemsley.			
Boston	9	11	1
Battery: Harris, Bagby, Desaultels, Peacock.			
Detroit	5	7	0
Battery: Newsom, Benton, McKain, Sullivan.			
New York	7	12	1
Chicago	2	6	0
Battery: Lee, Tresh, Silvester.			
Philadelphia	3	3	0
Battery: Potter, Hayes.			
St. Louis	2	6	1
Battery: Auker, Swift.			
Washington	3	8	0
Battery: Chase, Early.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

The New York Giants-Chicago Cubs game was postponed.

TAISTO Maeki, the great Finnish runner, in his last competitive appearance in America, was beaten into third place in a two-mile event at Los Angeles.

Walter Mehl (Wisconsin) won in 9 mins. 1.8 secs., with Gregory Price second.

PONT LEVEQUE WINS DERBY SUBSTITUTE

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Pont Leveque, 10-1, won the Derby substitute to-day at Newmarket to where the race was removed from the traditional Epsom Downs owing to the war.

The results were:

Pont Leveque (Sam Wragg) .. 1
Turkhan (Smirke) 2
Lighthouse (Perryman) 3

Odds on Turkhan were 100-7 and 85-40 on Lighthouse.

Sixteen ran. Three lengths separated first from second, and a short head second from third. Special place betting was 5-4 on Stardust and 11-10 on Tantmieux.

The winner was bought privately by Mr. Darling from H. E. Morriss, former Shanghai sportsman, whose Paques was unplaced.

Others: Black Toni (Lowrey), Golden Tiger (Beasley), Hipplus (E. Smith), King of Trumps II (Nevett), Morabadad (D. Smith), Olidon (Lane), Pharatis (E. Elliot), Paques (Weston), Ridley (Taylor), Stardust (Harry Wragg), Tant Mieux (Gordon Richards), Selway Firth (Beary), Romulus (Marshall).

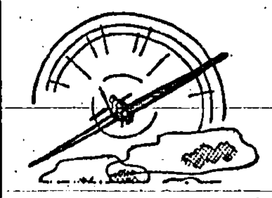
JOCKEYS AND STARTERS FOR THE OAKS

Riders in the Oaks to be run tomorrow will probably include.—Chambrella (E. Smith); Golden Penny (Beary), Mannawind (Herbert), Bellcheim (Perryman), Drawing Prize (Cliff Richards).



"Good morning, sunshine!"
"Go to blazes!"
"Now, now — temper! That's not like mummy's little blue-eyed boy."
"Oh, go and climb a tree. I hope you get a thick head like mine. Teach you to jeer."
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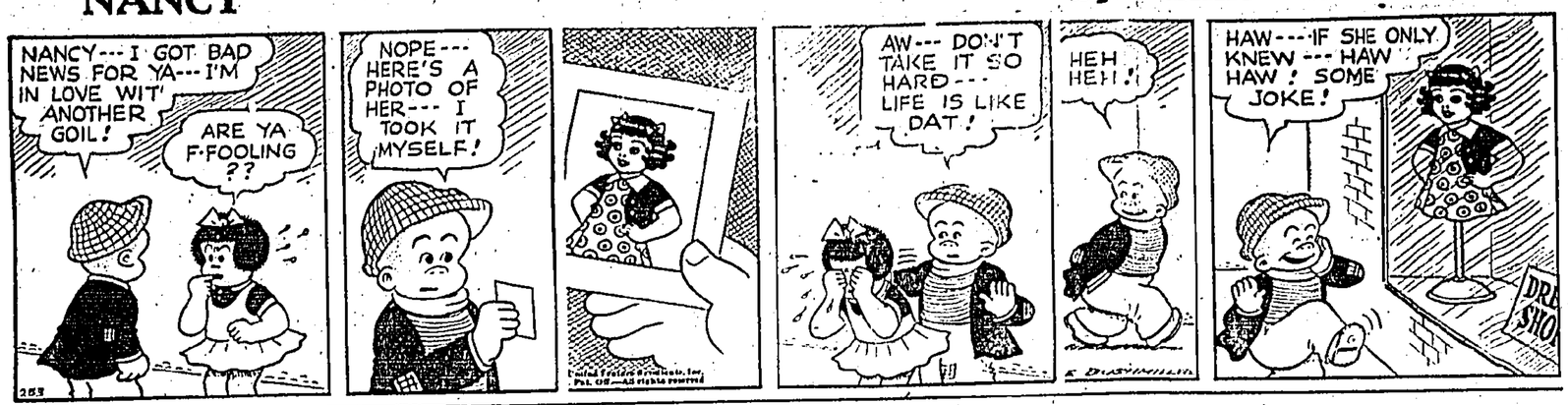
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NANCY By Ernie Bushmiller



70 Captured British Seamen Tricked Their German Guards

We Just Walked Away—*Says Captain*

THIRTY-SIX British seamen of the steamer North Cornwall and 34 men from other ships who were captured by the Germans at Narvik escaped by a simple trick; they just walked away from their guards.

Captain Charles Evans, master of the North Cornwall, who returned to his home in Northumberland, said that during the British attack they were put ashore with two armed Germans in charge.

"It was snowing hard and bitterly cold," he added. "I asked our guards for permission to march the men up and down to save them from freezing to death. They agreed.

"Each time on the westerly leg of our march we went a little farther away and finally we got so far that we just didn't bother to turn back."

Captain Evans described the scene in Narvik Fjord after the first attack by British destroyers as a shambles.

"It was a grotesque sight with the German destroyers and stores ships sinking at all angles, burning and exploding all about us," he said.

The North Cornwall was one of five British ships awaiting loading when the Germans entered Narvik. A German naval officer in charge of the party which boarded the North Cornwall sympathised with Captain Evans but added, "It is war."

"Bread Was Awful"

The North Cornwall's crew was transferred to a German whaler, the Jan Wellam, where they received courteous treatment. The food was apparently the same as that supplied to the German crew—"the bread was awful and the tea was worse."

The North Cornwall's crew was aboard the whaler when the first British attack was delivered. "One morning we were roused by a terrific explosion which shook our prison ship," said Captain Evans. "It was a torpedo hitting a destroyer moored alongside us. This was the first shot of the British raid on Narvik.

Destroyer Vanished

"We ran on deck; the German destroyer had vanished.

"The Germans thought it was an air raid. Every anti-aircraft gun in the small fleet was fired frantically at the sky. Behind the Jan Wellam were two German destroyers using us as a screen to fire across our decks.

"The Germans had been taken by surprise; when we were first taken prisoners they seemed to think that the British would never dare to invade Narvik.

"Earlier, when some shots were fired, the captain of a German liner, the Bochenheim, ran his vessel ashore and set her on fire."

After their escape Captain Evans and his men met survivors of H.M.S. Hardy.—The party was later picked up by warships.

Saved Wounded Man

Wives and relatives welcomed home to Plymouth 96 officers and men of H.M.S. Hardy. When the train steamed into North Road Station, Plymouth, a small party of women scrambled aboard to greet their husbands. They were "trapped" when the train moved off to the next stop—the Royal Naval Barracks station, which is not open to the public.

The officer in charge was astonished to see five or six women in the train.

As he was leaving the Hardy Stoker Jack Simpson looked back at the damaged destroyer and saw a wounded shipmate, Stoker Frank Good, disappear into the icy water.

"Someone else can take my place in the boat, I'll swim for it," he shouted, and running across the sloping deck dived after Stoker Good.

Simpson brought him to land and he was later taken to a Norwegian hospital.

This story was revealed by the injured sailor's wife, Mrs. Caroline Good, of Gidea Park, near Romford, Essex.

Prisoners Radio From Germany

FIVE men stated by the German announcer to be R.A.F. prisoners, broadcast from Bremen radio station recently.

Introduced as Sergt. William Taylor, No. 511675, one man said he was the observer in an R.A.F. plane which crashed over Germany on the morning of March 28. He escaped with slight injuries, but the second pilot was killed.

"We all had to jump for it," he said, "I sprained my ankle.

"Hullo Madge, dear; keep your chin up. Don't worry. I want you to look after yourself so that you will have an easy time when baby comes. . . . You will be able to send me a photograph."

The second man who broadcast was described as Leading-Aircraftman-Jack Masters, aged 20.

Masters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Masters, of Chesterfield-road, Staveley, were among those listening to the broadcast.

They heard the voice of their son say, "It's Jack, all right."

Masters' fiancee, Miss Irene Baggaley, who is 18, also listened. She said that she saw her fiance only a fortnight ago.

Other men who broadcast were described as Sergeant Kenneth Say, of Dumfries; Aircraftman William Cowie, of Banffshire; and "Airman" John Robert Burke, of Cecilia-road, Bolton.

SPITFIRE TRAVELS AT 650 M.P.H.

LONDON, (UP).—An R.A.F. pilot's temporary lapse into unconsciousness put a Spitfire fighter to an extraordinary test. In it he touched a speed of 650 to 700 m.p.h.

He was unable to see and register the top speed of the aircraft, but he put on record that coming out of the dive he was touching 400 m.p.h. from which experts deduct that during the dive he must have been doing at least 650 m.p.h.

Climbing to 23,000 ft. he had temporarily lost consciousness probably due to lack of oxygen. Recovering he found himself in a vertical dive at high speed.

There was danger that pulling the machine out of the dive he might 'blackout' himself, namely temporarily lose unconciousness due to the draining of the blood from the brain by a violent change of direction,—but he managed to retain and land safely. The machine has been returned to the makers for investigation and a report.

It is believed that important data will result. The experience, accidental as it was, is claimed to prove that the Spitfire fighter can be subjected to terrific strain.

Sing Sing's New Executioner

NEW YORK, (UP).—The new official executioner at Sing Sing Prison is Joseph Francell, 42-year-old former electrician and garage owner of Cairo, N.Y.

Francell succeeds Robert Elliott, who died on October 10th, after fourteen years at Sing Sing throwing the switch which sent lethal current through about 400 persons.

The new executioner was selected by Warden Lewis Lawes, whose choice was subject to confirmation by the State Commissioner of Correction.

More than 350 persons applied for Elliott's job, which paid a fee of $150 an execution.

SCIENTIFICALLY VITAMINISED

LONDON, (UP).—The British soldier has become scientifically vitaminised.

His famous 'iron ration'—a tin of bully beef and a few stale biscuits—has disappeared and its place has been taken by what looks like a 6 oz. slab of chocolate.

Actually it is composed of 25 parts by weight of double refined cocoa; 34 parts of dried protein, known as Lait-Proto, which is prepared from milk, and 27 parts of refined sugar.

All this is prepared in pure cocoa butter. To the dried protein is added sodium bicarbonate of not more than 7 per cent. to make the protein soluble as a food.

RAID SIRENS HIDE WOUNDED

GENEVA.—The Swiss newspaper *Democrate de Delemont* reports that Germany's Black Forest resorts are packed with wounded.

During the passage of ambulance trains air raid sirens are sounded so that the people are kept indoors and shall not see them.

Family of 28 Not Enough

A WOMAN with 15 children and 13 grandchildren offered to take another boy into her family when he was brought before the Bristol Juvenile Court recently as being in need of protection.

She said that the boy, a playmate of her own children, had been sleeping in an empty house and she had given him a home.

She explained that her family of 28 could not all get round the table at the same time for meals. The boy was at work, and gave her 11s. out of his 14s. weekly wage.

PAID £46,500 TO LEAVE GERMANY

A German internee, Heinz Josef Bruchsaler, formerly trading as H. J. Brooklyn and Company, in Birmingham, appeared at Birmingham Bankruptcy Court under armed escort.

He said his father, now in Luxemburg, had to give all his money, 558,000 Reichsmarks (£46,500 pre-war rate) to the State before he was allowed to leave Germany.

The examination was adjourned generally with leave to apply.

New Pact Concluded

Tokyo, June 12.

The Foreign Office this morning announced that the "treaty between Japan and Thailand concerning the continuance of friendly relations and mutual respect of each other's territorial integrity" was signed at 10 o'clock this morning between the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. H. Arita, and the Thai Minister, Mr. Phya Sri Sena.

The Foreign Office statement says: "This treaty has been concluded for the purpose of reaffirming and solidifying further the traditional relations of amity between the two countries and to contribute thereby toward the stability and peace in East Asia. Its main points are:

"Firstly, mutual respect of the territories of the high contracting parties and confirmation of peace and friendly relations between them.

"Secondly, exchange of information and consultations with regard to matters of interest common to the two countries.

"Thirdly, pledge, in case of one of the high contracting parties being attacked by a third country, of non-assistance to that third country.

"The treaty will be valid for five years."

Great Britain and France, it is said, have been conducting negotiations with Thailand for the conclusion of a non-aggression pact. Japan has, however, carried on her negotiations from her independent standpoint.—*Domei.*

Premier's Statement

Singapore, June 12.

Luang Bipul, Premier, in a statement, declared the treaties were welcome as a further contribution to the cause of peace in this part of the world. Each agreement provided for respect of territorial integrity in Thailand, and in the event of one of the signatories being involved in war against any third power, the other would not assist that power. The engagements were fully reciprocal.

Luang Bipul declared the agreements were the result of long negotiations and were not related to the European war. They were a further application of Thailand's policy of equal friendship and would be scrupulously observed.—*United Press.*

Tommy May Get Cheaper Cigarettes

WHEN it was suggested to Mr. Oliver Stanley recently that an arrangement might be made to enable soldiers to obtain cigarettes and tobacco at lower prices through N.A.A.F.I., the Secretary for War promised that he would go into the matter.

"It must be remembered," he added, "that a free issue of cigarettes is made to troops on active service."

When Mr. Sorensen (Lab., Leyton, W.) asked whether, in view of prospective taxation of beer and tobacco, and increased cost of postage and travelling, he would consider making an increased allowance to the lower ranks in the Army, Mr. Stanley replied in the negative.

Taxation and other increases affected all classes of the community, he said, and did not, in his opinion, afford grounds for an increase of the emoluments for the Army.

Spies Guide Nazi Bombers To Target

With the B.E.F. in France.

GERMAN spies, scattered among the Allied Armies, are working with the German Air Arm.

They are destroying communications signalling to the nightly raiders, and gathering military information.

They are also encouraging panic among civilians by wild rumours of defeat and disaster.

All this sounds like a page from a fantastic novel.

Unfortunately it is true, and until the situation on the Allied-German front reaches some sort of stabilisation, it must go on. With the Allies taking what measures they can to meet it.

What good is counter-espionage when a whole nation is on the move, when all a parachutist needs is to become a refugee with his bicycle, tattered clothes and identity card which can be forged or stolen?

Rumours fill every town I have been in in the last 20 days of almost constant movement, says a correspondent.

"They say the Germans have broken through again!" "They say 15 parachutists landed last night!" "They say there's a revolution in Paris!"

Such rumours, plus the sudden delays in communications, in a country where the telephone and telegraph are still rudimentary, plus the fear that the bombs which smashed a house and killed your friends 100 yards away might get you to-night, help to contribute to the state of uncertainty.

The people need a tonic.

And a military victory, averting the approaching dark hour; seems the only remedy.

MOTHER WANTS Douglas French Joffre Kitchener OUT OF ARMY

PRIVATE DOUGLAS FRENCH JOFFRE KITCHENER HORTON, aged 24, serving in France with the Royal Engineers, due on leave to Sheffield, will learn when he arrives home in Shirebrook-road, Heeley, that his mother has applied to the Army authorities for his release on compassionate grounds.

His father died a few weeks ago and Mrs. Horton, still suffering from the strain, wants the "mainstay" back home with her. Yet at the same time she realises that the Army is the right place where her lad, named after famous generals in the last war, can live up to his illustrious Christian names.

He was born on July 25, 1916, and was the youngest of 11 children, of whom seven are still living.

Mrs. Horton said: "Douglas grew up to be a very strong lad, and when he joined the Army a few days after the war started we felt very proud.

"I have little money left to carry on my home now.

"Others in the family are married, and illnesses and other causes make it impossible for them to help me. One boy is still suffering from the effects of service in the last war.

"Douglas, who is single, was at home with me. His firm would like him back, as he was a skilled rolling-mill worker. I am expecting him any day now on leave, and I shall discuss the whole matter with him. He writes and tells me he likes the Army, and hopes to get on."

TOLL OF THE ROAD

Two Fatalities In 92 Accidents Last Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories, during the week ended on Saturday, there were altogether 92 traffic accidents as the result of which two persons were killed and 39 persons were injured.

Of the persons killed, a 5-year-old girl was knocked down and killed by a lorry while crossing the carriageway, and a Chinese female, age 30, died from injuries received while alighting from a moving bus.

Of the persons injured, 22 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway; a private car driver and a lorry driver were injured when their vehicles ran off the roadway; two lorry passengers were injured on falling off moving lorries; five drivers (two private car, one tricycle and two handtrucks), and two passengers (one private car and one tricycle) were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles; one private car driver was injured when his car overturned; and three bus passengers and two tram passengers were injured while alighting from moving buses and moving trams respectively.

Of the 92 accidents, 37 were collisions between vehicles, 36 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians, and 19 accidents were due to other causes.

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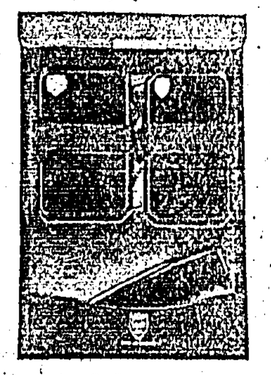
Minister's Revelation In House Of Commons

London, June 12.

Amid laughter, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Butler, informed a questioner in the Commons to-day that Captain Quisling, Nazi puppet in Norway, was appointed an Honorary Commander of the Order of the British Empire in November, 1929, in recognition of services he had rendered the British Government in connection with the protection of British interests in Russia while he was serving on the staff of the Norwegian Legation in Moscow.

Mr. Butler added: "He is no longer a member of the Order. He was removed from the Order very recently."—*Reuter.*

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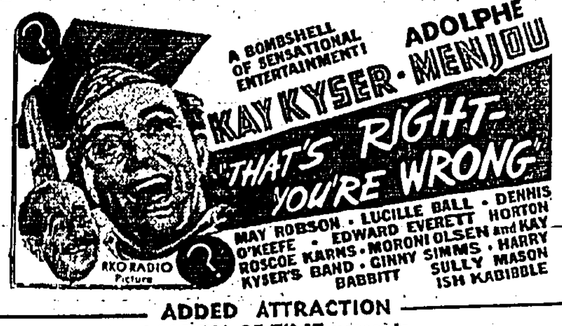


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VALIANT HEARTS, & EPIC DEEDS

Thrilling Stories Of Tommies In France

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—"Eye-Witness" with the British Army in France telegraphs that 20 Yorkshiremen with one anti-tank-gun held up a German tank column of 50 vehicles for nearly three hours during the height of the German advance on Paris.

More than 100 German soldiers who leaped from the vehicles and dashed to the hill-top were engaged in a fierce pitched battle by the small British company.

Eventually the British party withdrew across a river after the young subaltern had swum across under fire and towed a boat across with one hand. The wounded were rescued in this boat.

Superb Spirit

This was one of the many epic feats of gallantry performed by the British troops during the past few days when only the greatly superior mass of German troops and equipment have been forcing our men to retire.

All have shown the same superb spirit and high courage against bombs, shells and the waves of infantry recently seen in Flanders, though on a smaller scale. But the most fearless courage cannot stand against machine.

In aeroplanes, tanks, anti-tank guns and artillery of every kind, the Germans have outnumbered the British.

Grim Tales

To-day as the situation grows clearer, it seems likely that the casualties, though heavy, will be lighter than at first appeared probable. In many cases, whole detachments, believed to be surrounded, have fought their way back to their units. Unshaven men, exhausted but remarkably cheerful, are continually arriving in twos and threes out of the confused area of the zone of operations.

Everyone has a grim tale to tell of smashing dive-bomb attacks or massed assaults by German motor-cyclists, machine-gunners or tanks or fierce artillery fire.

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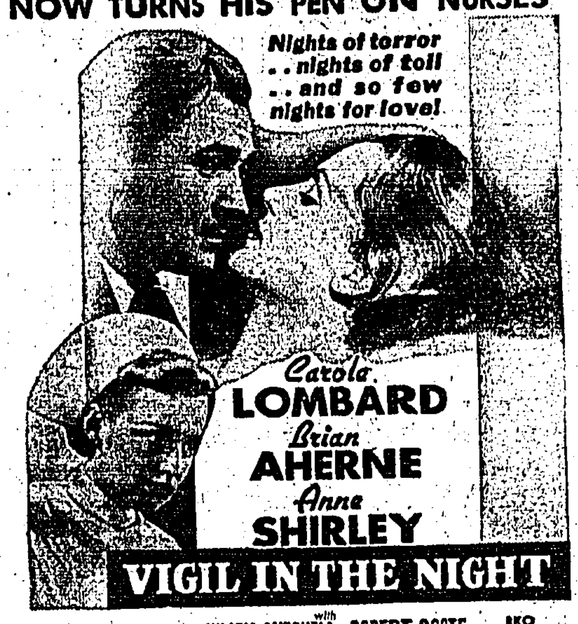
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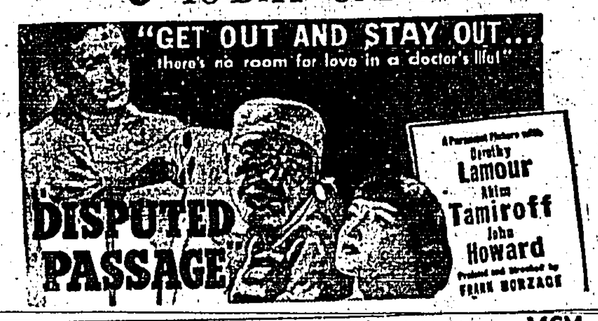
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FATE OF PARIS IN THE BALANCE AS NAZI GUNS POUND CAPITAL

GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE ENTERED CITY, BUT REPORT IS UNCONFIRMED

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH")

An Urgent "United Press" message from Shanghai, received at 2.30 p.m. to-day, states that the Italian Ambassador has informed the Japanese Embassy that German troops have entered Paris.

It is emphasised that this claim should be treated with the utmost reserve, as there is no substantiation from any other source.

Although the Italian Ambassador in Shanghai is believed to have deliberately exaggerated the extent of the German advance, the situation in Paris this morning was admittedly grave.

Many parts of the city are burning fiercely as the Germans pound it with bombs and heavy artillery.

The advance on the city has developed into a race between two German armies—one of which advanced down the Oise and the other along the Marne. A third army is advancing along the Seine, but has been completely held by the French and British forces.

Surrounding Capital

The German Army advancing down the Oise has reached Chantilly, 18 miles from Paris. The forces advancing along the Marne are reported to have reached Meaux, 24 miles from the city.

Rheims, the famous Cathedral city, and Compiegne, at the junction of the Oise and Aisne Rivers, fell yesterday.

The Germans on the Marne are now attempting to establish bridgeheads across the river at several points.

Bitter Fighting

The French High Command reported this morning that particularly bitter fighting was in progress at Meaux and Chateau Thierry, where repeated efforts to establish bridgeheads have been repulsed.

Last night's official French communique (issued at 7 a.m. H.K.T.) admits that the Germans are 35 miles from Paris in the west, 18 miles in the north and 24 miles distant in the north-east.

West of the city, they have succeeded in crossing the Seine River at several points and are now pushing on the Eure River, a tributary of the Seine, with the obvious intention of surrounding Paris and Versailles.

Official Communique

The communique says:

"The battle continues with the same violence on the entire front.

"The enemy has accentuated his efforts along the Seine from Rouen to Vernon. Between these two cities, he is attempting to increase the bridgehead he has succeeded in establishing across the river.

"South of the River Seine, the enemy is attempting to push in the direction of Evreux and Pacy, on the Eure River. He is being strongly held by our units.

"Elsewhere, the enemy has launched reconnaissance detachments on the north bank of the Seine in the direction of Caudebec.

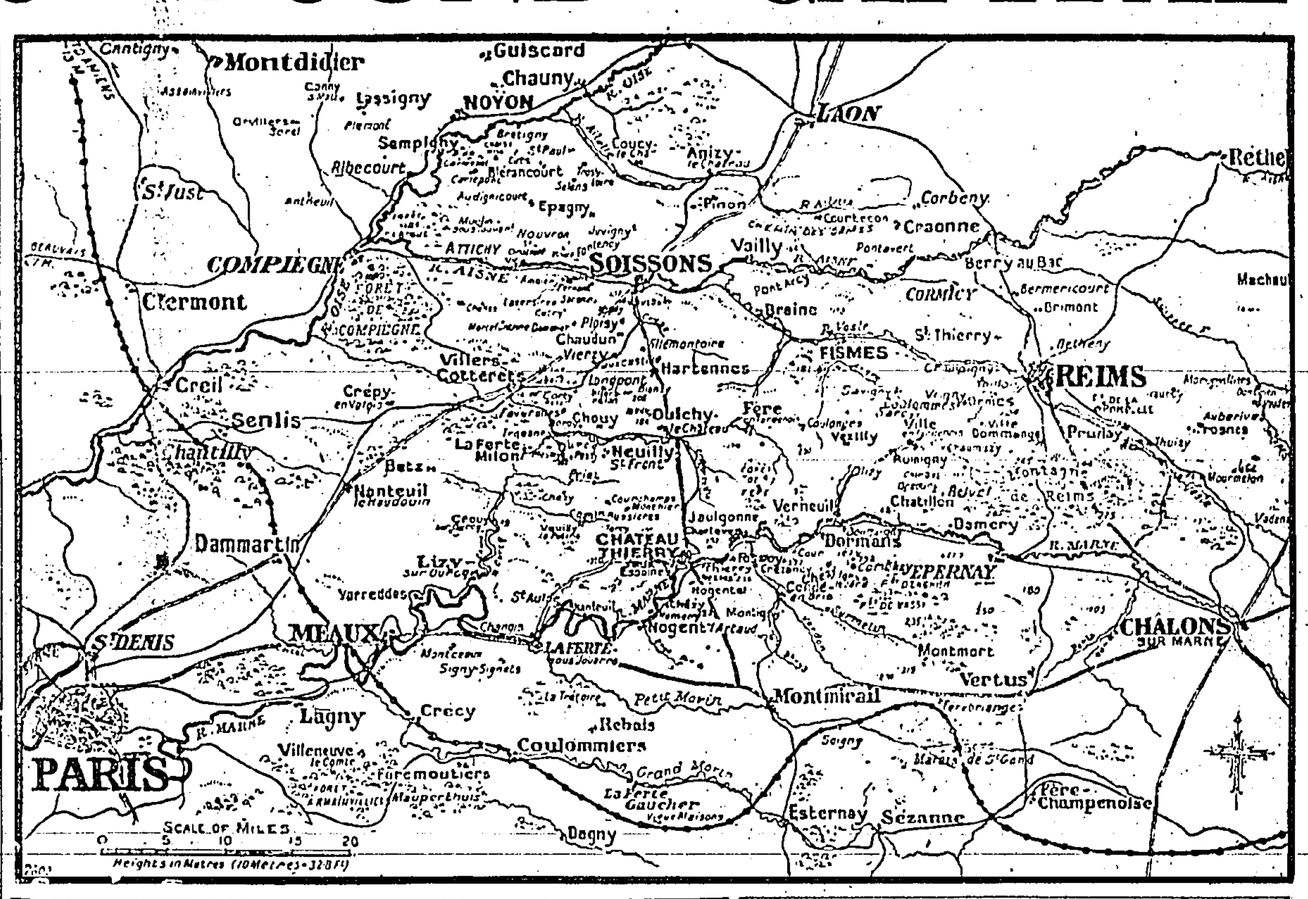
"On the lower Oise front, the enemy has made contact with our defending troops in the region of Persan and Beaumont, on the right and left banks of the river respectively."

Rouen Still Held By French

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOURS, June 12 (Domei).—Rouen, strategic point on the lower reaches of the Seine, is still being held by the French forces, according to a communique issued by the French High Command this evening.

This is a denial of the German High Command communique issued to-day to the effect that the city had already been taken by the German forces some days previously.





THE ORZEL

Poland's Most Famous Submarine Is Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—Hero of one of the most remarkable episodes of the present war, the Polish submarine Orzel is reported to be so much overdue that she is presumed lost.

This was revealed to-day by the Polish Naval Staff, who added that the submarine was carrying a normal complement of 56 officers and men when she set out some time ago on what is now believed to have been her last mission.

Brilliant Escape

The story of the Orzel's escape from the Baltic to England last year is ranked among the navies of the world as one of the most brilliant accomplishments ever achieved by an underwater craft.

When Germany invaded Poland, the Orzel slipped out of Gdynia and cruised submerged in the Gulf of Danzig for four days.

There she was bombed by German warplanes, but she escaped into the Baltic, dodging a cordon of Nazi cruisers on the way.

Captain Falls Ill

The perils of the trip were not lessened by the fact that the Orzel's captain was a sick man when the vessel started out, and he became so ill that he had to be hoisted to the conning tower by a rope.

When he grew worse, it was decided to land him at a neutral port, and the submarine thereupon put in at the Estonian port of Tallinn, where the First Lieutenant took command.

Because a German merchantman was leaving the port at the time, the Estonian authorities made the Orzel remain for 24 hours. Then they an-

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Russia And Sweden

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—According to reliable sources here Moscow has informed Stockholm that Sweden could count on Soviet assistance in the event of aggression against Sweden.

The Soviet is reported to have told Scandinavian officials that Russia would view "with grave concern" any further German move to the north.

MORE RAIDS ON ITALIAN BASES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Another successful Royal Air Force raid has been carried out on Italian bases in Libya and Eritrea.

According to the B.B.C. official observer in the Middle East, to-day's raids were even more successful than yesterday's.

Italian planes yesterday raided Aden, the observer stated. Most of the bombs fell into the sea.

Turin Is Raided

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—An agency message states that an Allied plane, believed to be British, flew over Turin about 1 a.m. to-day and dropped several bombs on the outskirts of the city.

There was anti-aircraft action for about two hours but no plane was brought down.

There were four air raid alarms to-day between midnight and noon.

Italians Move Slowly

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—A French military spokesman this afternoon said the Italians have not yet shown much military activity, although they have brought up heavy forces of troops and material.

He estimated that from 60 to 70 divisions had been mobilised on the Alpine front.

Italians Blow Up Bridge

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—The Italians have blown up a bridge at Ventimiglia, five miles from the Franco-Italian frontier.

The main railway line linking France and Italy passes through Ventimiglia.

Palestine Police Act

JERUSALEM, June 12 (Reuter).—The Palestine Police have put an end to all Italian activity in the Holy Land. Hundreds of Italians have been interned. Others who are sus-

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ITALIAN WARSHIPS DAMAGED

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. this morning in an attack on Tobruk harbour, Libya, extensively damaged enemy vessels, including one warship and two submarines.

The warship was set on fire.

R.A.F. Activity

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Air Ministry announces that heavy British bombers operating from bases in Britain bombed military objectives in Turin and other targets at Genoa.

One British bomber is missing.

Italian Crew Captured

DURBAN, June 12 (Reuter).—The crew of the Italian steamer, Timavo, which was beached yesterday, were captured to-day. They were trying to make for the Portuguese border.

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—By 47 votes to 35, the Senate refused to approve voluntary military training for youths belonging to the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Australian Warship In Action

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MELBOURNE, June 12 (UP).—An Australian cruiser has intercepted the Italian ship Romolo (9,780 tons) in the Pacific.

The crew set fire to the Romolo and took to the boats.

The fate of the ship and its passengers is not yet known.

The Romolo was shadowed by Australian air force planes and naval units from Brisbane.

Never Worked So Hard

Men And Women Of England

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Minister of Supply, Mr. Herbert Morrison, broadcasting to-night, said millions of men and women in Britain are working harder than they have ever worked in their lives before.

But the men and women standing at the benches and lathes are not tired, over-driven galley-slaves but eager defenders of their own democratic freedom.

Mr. Morrison continued: "They cannot, of course, make up in a few short weeks the gap caused by Germany's long lead over us in war preparation, aggravated by the losses in Flanders. The task is harder and longer than that, but we can take courage from the spirit in which it is being tackled."

Mr. Morrison concluded with the exhortation to work at a war speed until the war is won.

BIRTHDAY PARADE

Colourful Ceremony This Morning

An impressive display of the Colony's armed forces was given this morning when more than 3,500 men took part in the King's Birthday military parade and march past held at Hennessy Road, Wanchai.

Although the march past the Officer Administering the Government, H.E. the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, at the saluting base took one hour and a quarter, the number of men participating did not represent anything like the total number of the garrison.

Thousands of Chinese lined Hennessy Road and crowded buildings to watch the parade and the march past of units from the Navy, Army, Royal Air Force and Volunteers, who were assisted by five regimental bands.

Notables Present

On the official dais at the saluting base in the Children's Playground,

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LATEST

"Inevitable U.S. Must Enter War"

NEW YORK, June 12 (Reuter).—"Unquestionably the fate of Labour everywhere depends on the victory of the democracies", said Mr. Matthew Woll, vice-President of the American Federation of Labour to-day.

He added: "We cannot possibly stand outside the conflict. Inevitably we shall be in."

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Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Manila June 15.
Canton June 16.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa June 16.
Japan and Manila June 16.
Shanghai and Amoy June 16.
Shanghai June 16.
Haiphong June 17.
Haiphong June 17.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service."—San Francisco date, June 11......June 18.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 1st May) June 18.
Japan June 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 21st May) June 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 29th May) June 18.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 12th June. June 19.
Calcutta and Straits June 19.
Java and Manila June 19.
Japan and Shanghai June 19.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 24th May) June 19.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa June 21.
Shanghai June 21.
Canton June 22.
Europe via Suez and Straits—(London date, 10th May) June 22.
Japan and Shanghai June 22.
Australia and Manila June 25.
Japan and Manila June 26.
Japan and Shanghai June 26.
Japan June 27.
Calcutta and Straits June 28.
Japan and Shanghai June 28.

OUTWARD MAILS

Friday, June 14

Bangkok 10.30 a.m.

Saturday, June 15

Shanghai and parcels only for Tientsin 9.30 a.m.
Bangkok Noon.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United Kingdom.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg. June 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. June 15, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, June 16

Amoy 9.00 a.m.
Shanghai 9.00 a.m.

Monday, June 17

Canton 7.15 a.m.
Haiphong Noon.
Canton 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 18

Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service."
K. P. O.
Reg. June 18, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. June 18, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Reg., ...June 18, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. June 18, 7.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—(No Parcels for Canada) and Europe via San Francisco
G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Parcels, ...June 18, 5 p.m.
Reg., ...June 19, 9.45 a.m.
Ord., ...June 19, 10.30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 19

Fort Bayard and Hoihow Noon.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and Europe via Marseilles.
G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Reg., ...June 19, 2.45 p.m.
Ord. June 19, 3.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service".
K. P. O.
Reg., ...June 19, 5.00 p.m.
Ord., ...June 19, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Reg., ...June 19, 5.00 p.m.
Ord., ...June 19, 7.00 p.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the purchase of one unnumbered Hoklo Junk which can be inspected on application to the Water Police Boat Sergeant at Yaumati Slipway.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1890.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph"

Sir,—Will you allow me to suggest that the formation of a Naval Volunteers Corps as an auxiliary to the Royal Navy for the defence of this colony be reconsidered? Should war threaten, every available seaman will be needed by the Admiral Commanding the Station to complete the establishment of his seagoing ships and in actual war time to fill up casualties.

The resources of the Dockyard will be taxed to the utmost, so that it is extremely doubtful whether either the gunboats and torpedo boats now in reserve could be manned at all. A small but efficient Naval Volunteer Corps, similar to those already established in England, in India and in the Australasian Colonies, would at once supply the deficiency and set free the seamen of the Royal Navy for their more legitimate work.

I have reason to believe that the Naval authorities here would welcome such an addition to the forces at their disposal and I know that the Admiralty at home would gladly avail themselves of the services of such men as Hongkong can supply and likewise give them all facilities for learning the necessary drill and Naval routine.

There is a good deal of fascination in the idea of Naval Volunteering to lovers of the sea; practical work afloat, interesting drill and an intimate relation with the Royal Navy, of which all Englishmen are so proud.

It is now an accepted principle at home that none of Her Majesty's sea going ships are to be depended upon for the local defence of harbours or ports. Their first real and only duty is to keep the seas open by blockading the enemy. It becomes, therefore, the duty of the ports themselves to provide same. Naval defence—outside the limits—where military defence is practicable.

Should Imperial or Colonial needs Volunteers the boating and yachting members of Hongkong, whether employed in supplementing the crews of Her Majesty's ships or in manning local steam launches fitted with spar-torpedos or quick firing guns, must render good service.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant
CHARLES E. SETH-SMITH
Commanding London Brigade,
Royal Naval
Artillery Volunteers.

25 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1915.

Reuter's correspondent at the Dardanelles, telegraphing on the 3rd inst., says: From the deck of the historic transport, River Clyde, I have a close view of the activities of two British landing beaches. A dozen large transports and numerous smaller craft are busy landing men, horses, hundreds of tons of stores unhampered by the enemy. There are doubtless similar scenes on other beaches on the northern coast. The army ashore is still engaged in extending and straightening its front by means of nocturnal rushes and much spade work. The enemy's artillery has lately been more active, his "morning and evening hates" as the soldiers call the daily bombardments, have been long and more vicious. Our front trenches are little bothered by the bombardments, whose objective is the landing beaches, reserve trenches and rest camps, which consequently are a perfect rabbit warrens of shelter pits and dugouts. The men, however, are contemptuous of cover and show themselves freely.

10 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1930.

That great concern is being felt among Chinese property owners and traders alike regarding the prospect of increased taxation in Hongkong was emphasised by Mr. Li Hoi-tung, the Secretary of the Hongkong and Kowloon Property Owners' Association.

5 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1935.

An armistice was signed at noon today between Paraguay and Bolivia.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No 4279	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3324, Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan	as per sale plan.				About 3,720	$68	$2,760

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2	Rural Building Lot No. 433.	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 69, South Bay Road.	As per sale plan.				About 10,000	$114	$2,500

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
3	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2799	Junction of Shun Ning Road & Cheung Fat Street, Cheung Sha Wan.	as per sale plan.				About 4,760	$66	$2,656

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No 2800.	Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan. Between New Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 544 & 562.	As per sale plan.				About 1,060	$14	$810

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1 Time signal; weather report.
1.03 Gerry Moore, Val Rosing and Rina Ketty in Variety.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby press, weather forecast, announcements.

1.45 Royal Command Concert at Albert Hall, 1938.

2.15 Close Down.
5.45 Studio, Children's Hour.
6.45 Dance Music.
7.30 London relay, the news.
8 Time signal, weather report; announcements.
8.03 Compositions of Offenbach.—Helen (vocal gems), Columbia Light Opera Company; Gaite Parisienne ballet music, London Philharmonic Orchestra.
8.30 B.B.C. recording, "The Vicar's Garden Party."
8.45 London Relay, News from Scotland.
9 London Relay, Speech by Ernest Bevan at the American Chamber of Commerce, London.
9.20 London relay, news summary.
9.30 London relay, "Vive la France."
9.45 Concert of vocal items and band music.—La Marseillaise, March Lorraine, La Garde Republicaine Band; O Peaceful England, Essie Ackland; Royal Air Force March Past, Milanollo, Band of Coldstream Guards; Drink To Me Only with Thine Eyes, Passing By, Hubert Eisdell, Heddle Nash, Dennis Noble, Norman Allin; Sing with the Guards, H.M. Grenadier Guards.
10.15 Variety with Kanui and Lula, The Hodlars, Marie Burke, Issy Bonn.—George Formby Medley; Let's Sing Again, It's A Sin to Tell A Lie, Bobby Breen; The Great Ziegfeld Medley, The Keybourders; My Little Grass Shack in Kealakekua, Hilo Hanakahi, Kanui and Lula; The Great Ziegfeld medley, The Keyboarders; Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man, Bill, Marie Burke; Krontjong Successen, The Hodlars; My Best Friend, Issy Goes to Lunch, Issy Bonn.
11 Close down.

WAR CHARITY CONCERT

The Hongkong Singers will give a concert on June 25 in aid of the British War Organisation Fund, in the China Fleet Club, commencing at 9.30 p.m., booking for which is at Tsang Fook Piano Co. The soloists will be Anne Balfour, Jean Grieg, Helen Lockhart, Gaston D'Aquino and Harold Piercy, with Rupert Baldwin and E. O'Neill Shaw as accompanists and I. R. M. Smith conducting.

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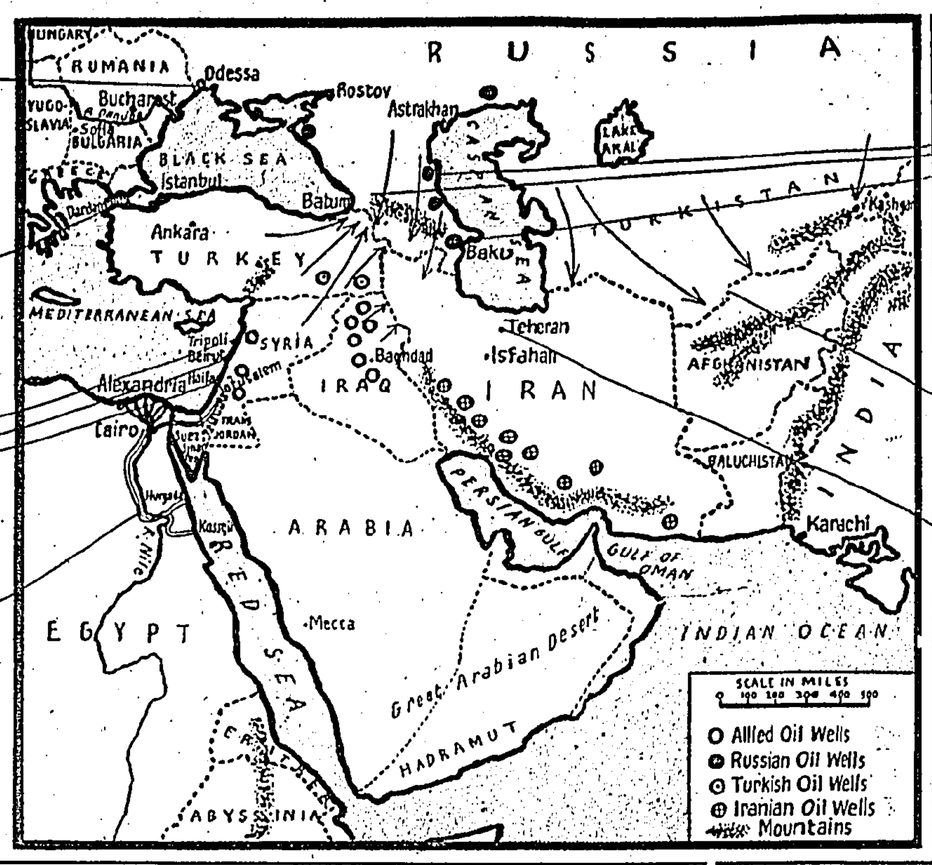
MIDDLE EASTERN NEWS REEL

Odessa: first port of U.S.S.R. and centre for vast distributing organisation for oil supplies from Baku wells via Black Sea route.

Dardanelles: strategic connection between Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea, controlled by Turkey. If thrown open to Anglo-French fleets Russian Black Sea routes would be threatened.

Haifa, Beirut, Tripoli: from these ports come Anglo-French oil supplies. Any Russian attack through Iran would threaten Allies' wells (marked O).

In Egypt Britain concentrates troops against possibility of Turko-Russian clash, prepares defences of Suez Canal and vital sea-routes to East. Newly-built strategic roads through Egypt (marked ═) to Sinai Peninsula speed up military communications



Russia's major oil wells (shown●) are mainly in southern area of U.S.S.R. These wells would be vulnerable to air attacks from Turkish bases, and the Batum depot from Black Sea naval bombardment. To counteract such attacks Russia could strike at less accessible Allied wells in Iraq through Iran (Persia).

Russia could attempt difficult drive into India through lowlands of Turkistan, and thence through mountainous Afghanistan.

Most fearful and vulnerable of all possible participants in a Middle Eastern conflict is Iran, for through Iran lies Russia's most strategic route to Iraq's oil wells. Meanwhile Iran tries to remain aloof from all foreign entanglements and political pressure, watches warily growing Turko-Russian tension.

WILL the war in the West be switched to develop in the East? What will Turkey do? Will Africa now become a battlefield? These questions dominate the world to-day.

The map above shows the vast implications of such a development. Egypt and India are not too remote to be drawn into the conflict, and it is certain that now Italy is in the war, the Balkans must sooner or later become involved.

If we should come to the Middle East it will be an Oil War. Look at those circles in the map. They mark the oil wells.

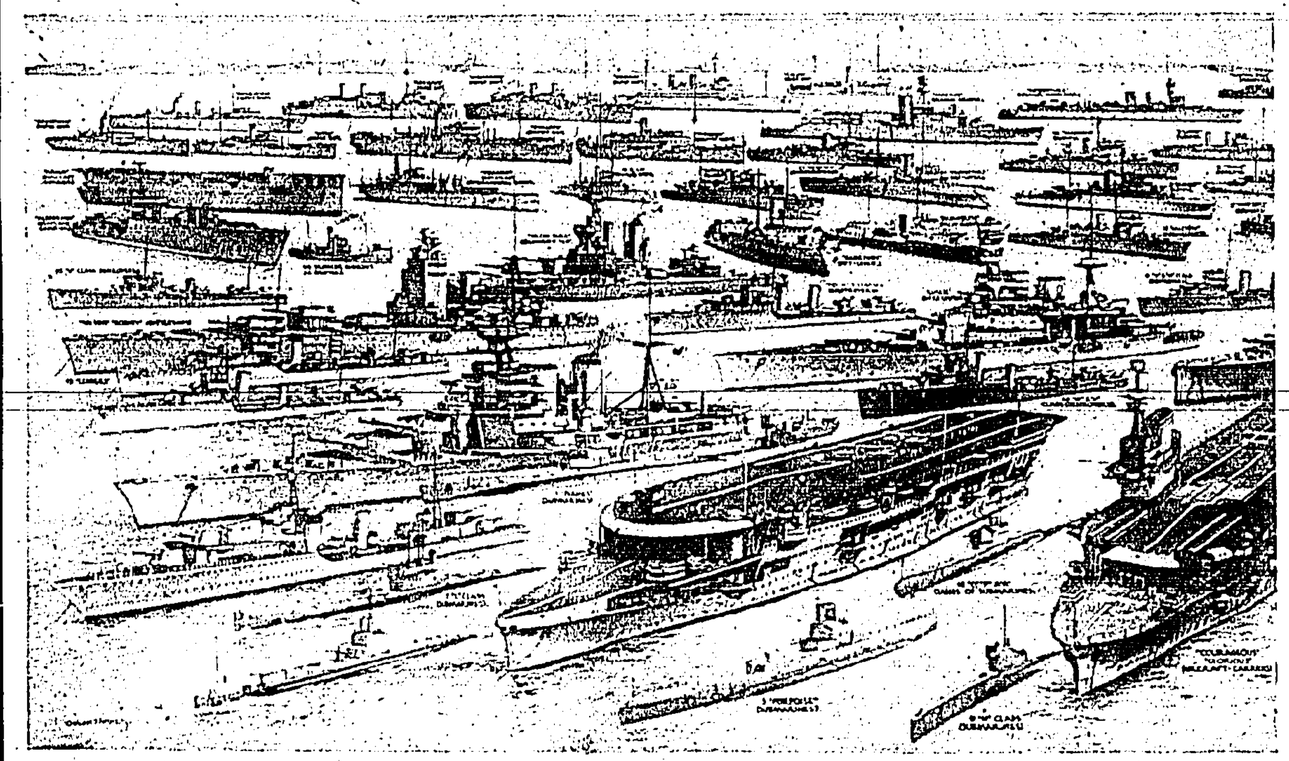
Both sides would make immediate attempts to cripple each other's oil supplies: the Russians by a great military movement through Iran into Iraq and Syria, backed by attempts at continuous aerial bombardment of Allied wells; the Allies by air attacks upon Baku, Batum, and those Russian wells which lie in the area between the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea. These Allied attacks would probably be backed by naval attacks upon Batum.

Above all things, Russia fears a naval war in the Black Sea. To attack Batum from the sea the Allies would have to enter the Black Sea through the Straits of Dardanelles. Turkey controls these straits. In the event of a clash with Russia it is virtually certain that Turkey would open these straits to the Allied fleets.

An Italian attack would have as its ultimate object the seizing of the Suez Canal. To guard against such possibilities, however remote they may seem at the moment, the Egyptian Government has constructed strategic roads which link up the main military stations of Egypt with the Sinai Peninsula.

Some strategists suggest that in the event of a Middle Eastern clash the totalitarians would attempt a drive on India, but such a move would be improbable, although not impossible. Russia could move swiftly through the lowlands of Turkoman, but then would come the fearful passage through Afghanistan (now, more than ever before, an invaluable buffer State between the clash of new-style Russian imperialism and established British imperialism) and after Afghanistan would come the even more hazardous campaign to pierce the North-West frontier.

WARSHIPS OF THE POWERS—V BRITAIN



Of the ships shown above, Courageous, Glorious and Royal Oak have been lost.

BARONESS LOST HIM

New York.

FOR three years, blonde beautiful Baroness Margaret von Mauchenheim, twenty-two, fought at Detroit to prevent her husband, Baron Egon Karl Mauchenheim from being deported to Germany and beheaded under the Nazi regime.

The baroness won the battle.

The baron, who would be condemned to death in Germany because he fled from military conscription and took his money out of Germany, was allowed to remain in the United States.

Recently the baroness filed a suit for divorce.

"Since last August," she said, "he's repeatedly told me he no longer loves me and wants to marry a woman of social position and wealth."

The baroness helped to keep their home together at Detroit by working in a fur shop.

This Is Why Italy Wants Tunisia

SO Italy has at last come into the open in claiming Tunis as Italian. For more than 50 years Tunis has rankled in the Italian mind.

France occupied the country (then part of the Turkish empire) in 1881 after a hint from Prince Bismarck, who remarked to the French Ambassador that the "Tunisian pear was ripe."

And ripe it was, for Italy was powerless without German support to prevent the French occupation which Bismarck encouraged because he had, as he said on more than one occasion, a "nightmare of coalitions," and wished to see the French immersed in their colonial schemes rather than planning revenge for their defeat in the Franco-Prussian war.

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WHAT moral right had Franco got to Tunis? said Italy. There were 10,000 Italians there in 1881, and only 700 Frenchmen. Twenty years later things were just as bad from the French point of view. There were then 24,000 Frenchmen and 71,000 Italians.

Now, according to the most recent figures, there are 108,000 Frenchmen and 94,000 Italians. But this French superiority is partly due to many Italians acquiring French citizenship.

A lot of them were originally Italian Jews, and they are now loyal Frenchmen. Italy is pursuing her anti-Jewish policy with regard to her own citizens in Tunis, and recently some Italian Jewish doctors have been expelled from the Italian hospital there. They became French.

Curiously enough, the French in Tunis have a higher birthrate and a lower mortality rate than the Italians there. So that France feels that if she sits tight, time is on her side.

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WHAT are the guns behind this diplomacy? Let us look at the problem theoretically, in terms of military strategy. If Italian armies marched from Libya into Tunis, all might go well for 120 miles. Then they would come to a narrow bottleneck only 15 miles wide, with the Gulf of Gabes on the right-hand side and the Lake of Jerid on the left.

I am not revealing any close military secret when I say that the French have fortified the bottleneck and could hold it against a very superior force. And in their rear they have reserves of colonial troops from Algeria.

And on sea? Here the picture is not quite so pretty for France.

Pantelleria, the island on which no foreigner has set foot for many years, is only 60 miles from the Tunisian coast. The island is a powerful air as well as naval base.

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Cooked Pears Make Delicious Desserts

By JUDITH WILSON

PEARS are good served uncooked, either as whole fruit or cut up in crescent shapes for salads and cubed to put in fruit cups. But they are even better in cooked desserts. For baking and pies ask for slightly under-ripe pears. General baking directions are: Halve and core washed fruit and arrange in baking dish. Sprinkle generously with sugar and a little salt. Dot with butter, add a very little water, cover and bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees F.) until fruit is hot. Then take off cover to cook the syrup down.

There are several interesting versions of this basic recipe. For example, honey may be used for part of the sweetening. Or the hollows of the cored fruit may be filled with brown sugar and butter. If desired, cinnamon candies may be cooked in the syrup for flavour and colour. Or add stick cinnamon or other spices. Serve hot in spicy syrup. Or serve cool with whipped cream or a garnish of cream cheese or cottage cheese.

For plain baked pears try this hot sauce. The bland flavour of the fruit goes well with spices and tart fruits.

GINGER SAUCE

- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 4 tablespoons cold water
- 4 tablespoons ginger syrup
- ½ cup orange juice
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon butter
- 2 tablespoons preserved ginger

Stir the cornstarch to a smooth paste with cold water and mix with the other liquids. Cook 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Add butter and minced preserved ginger and beat until blended. Serve hot.

CRISP SPICED PEARS

- 1½ cups cornflakes
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 3½ cups pears (1 No. 2½ can)
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ⅓ cup pear juice
- Mint leaves

Crush cornflakes with a rolling pin. Add nutmeg and sugar. Mix thoroughly. Drain juice from pears, saving ⅓ cup. Dip pears first in lemon juice, then in cornflakes mixture. Place pears in a baking dish. Pour ⅓ cup pear juice into dish, and bake in a moderately hot oven (375 degrees F.) about 25 minutes or until lightly browned. Garnish with mint leaves and serve hot with cream.

PEAR COMPOTE

Cook pared, cored fruit in a syrup made from equal parts of sugar and water with a little salt. When the pears are tender enough to pierce with a straw, take them from the syrup, chill and serve with whipped cream. Or dispense with the chilling and serve them at once, hot, filled with tart jelly, and topped with a spoonful of hard sauce, grated coconut or chopped nuts.

BUTTERSCOTCH HARD SAUCE

- ½ cup butter
- ½ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 egg yolk, well beaten
- 4 tablespoons milk

Cream butter thoroughly. Sift sugar and add gradually to butter, creaming together until light and fluffy. Add vanilla, egg yolk, and milk and beat well. Makes 1¼ cups sauce.

CRISS-CROSS PEAR PIE

- Pie crust
- Pears
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ¾ cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- ¾ teaspoon nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon ginger

Line pie tin with pastry. Peel, quarter and slice pears until tin is well filled. Sprinkle lemon juice over pears. Combine sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and ginger, and cover fruit. Dot generously with butter dabs. Roll out top crust, cut in long strips 1 inch wide and criss-cross on top of pie.

PEAR COMPOTE CREOLE

- 6 cooked pear halves and juice
- ¾ cup cream
- Shavings of unsweetened chocolate

Place pear halves in sherbet glasses and cover with juice. Whip cream thick but not stiff, topping pears generously with cream. Cover thickly with chocolate shavings, made by rubbing chocolate against shaving side of grater. Serves six.

DINNERS

Baked Veal Loaf
Chopped Spinach, Hard-Cooked Egg
Scalloped Potatoes
Carrot and Cabbage Slaw
Baked Pears, Ginger Sauce
Coffee

Liver and Bacon
Buttered Beets
Stringbeans in Cream
Parsley Potatoes
Pear Pie Coffee

Treatment For An Oily Skin

AN oily skin is healthy because it means that the pores are active and doing their work properly, but it never seems to be highly valued because of the complaint that make-up always looks shiny and needs constant retouching.

Excessive oiliness can be corrected, but it is not wise to use drying astringent lotions continuously because the skin still needs to be nourished and kept in a healthy condition. It is wiser to use a soft, fluffy cleansing cream at night—there is a good one which is not at all greasy although made with pure vegetable oils—and after each application to use a good gentle skin freshener. The freshener will tone and tighten the skin and prevent make-up from sinking into the pores.

A far-seeing cosmetic expert has quite recently evolved a powder base for oily skins which really does stay matt. It is a liquid make-up made in five skin tones, and it preserves a smooth, magnolia-like surface during the whole of a hard-working day. It is best to apply the lotion to the face with the finger-tips, having first poured a little into the palm of the left hand.

Cream rouge is more successful than a powder rouge with a liquid make-up, and it should be used on top of the foundation. The rouge should be kept fairly high on the cheek bones, and smoothed away until there is no definite patch of colour or visible hard edges.

A powder in a slightly darker shade should be pressed lightly into the foundation, and the surplus wiped away with a soft brush or a piece of cotton wool. A powder made with an olive oil base is best for oily skins because it is particularly clinging and the very slight percentage of oil is never sufficient to be sticky or greasy. This powder also has the invaluable asset of a special little pourer so that compacts can be filled without bother or mess.

SHORT CUTS

In hemming linen napkins, be sure to run each needleful of thread through a piece of paraffin before using to avoid knots forming in the thread.

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Even the avowed young milk teetotaler will enjoy this milk drink. Banana Punch: Press a fully ripe banana through a strainer with a spoon. Add 1 cup cold milk and, if desired, a little vanila flavouring. Shake well in drink shaker or covered fruit jar.

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When a recipe calls for sour milk and you have none on hand, add a teaspoon of vinegar to each cup of sweet milk and use it instead.

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A wooden mixing spoon has many advantages. The handle remains cool; food mixtures will not discolour; the danger of pots and bowls getting scratched or nicked is removed.

Fashions For Men

By BARCLAY SWAIN

THIS years crop of straw hats for men will be a repeat on last year's styles—plus. Light weight, novelty weave, tropical straws, with pugree bands in all sorts of colours tell the story in a broad way. The men's hat manufacturers are making dirty faces at the millinery trade because it has swiped all their ideas and set them atop women's craniums. However, they needn't worry, the men will still wear these hats, for they are much more comfortable and cooler than the hats they used to wear.



Cocoanut Straw

Even the conventional sailor has been made much lighter and more comfortable. About 65 per cent of men wear these hats. A new one we saw had a dropped stitch braid on the sides and top. This permitted one half the straw braid to be practically nothing and allowed plenty of ventilation without an unsightly effect.



Sports Panama

Last year's success, the coconut straw—now widely aped by women—is out again in a new version. The straw still is the same attractive copper tan, but the braid is fancier in weave. They will try to sell you on the idea of a white pugree band for evening wear. Bands this year, except for beach hats, aren't quite so goofy. A deep blue with tiny white dots is smart looking.

Beach hats are wide brimmed affairs in nit-wit colours for men who, for the moment, want to look like lollipops on parade. Fine for the beach and a good time. Mostly they are made of raffia woven in all sorts of bad dream colours, with ropes and other goofiness for braid. They are inexpensive, shade the sun from your eyes and serve their purpose well.



Jippa Jappa

This year's brims are wider, and crowns are slightly higher in some hats. The telescope hat has been carried out in straw also. Raffia in natural shades has been used. One very unique, good looking hat was of natural raffia, with a braid to match and a small bamboo ring where the band ties. Many of these hats have brims with a slight inward curl, called a finger curl.



Straw Sailor

Most of the straws come from far-away tropical countries and are interesting in themselves.

Places like the Dutch East Indies and Madagascar are sources of supply. Hemp is used also, as it was last year.

Business Girl Keep Well-Groomed

By JACQUELINE HUNT

"WHY shouldn't business girls be smart looking and well-groomed?" a homemaker asked me recently. "She has her own money to spend and time for permanents, wave-sets and facials whenever she needs them!" Being a "business girl" myself, as well as a homemaker, I couldn't help feeling indignant at her attitude. A girl who works in an office day in and day out has more beauty problems than any other.

She must combat the dull skin and lifeless hair that come from inadequate fresh air and exercise. She must do something to prevent or overcome the spreading hips and forward slump that results from hours of sitting before her desk. Carbon paper and typewriter keys are a constant menace to smooth white hands and dainty nails. Keeping her desk neat, getting her work done on time and pleasing an exacting boss are as hard on her nerves as caring for children and running a house are on those of the homemaker.

Even if she doesn't have to dash home to a small apartment and prepare her own supper, the time she has for herself after leaving her office at five o'clock or later is disturbingly inadequate. And the budget of the business girl can rarely be stretched to include as many wave-sets or manicures as she really needs. If she can manage to keep her composure and look attractive in spite of these handicaps, it is because she regards a "good impression" as an economic necessity and works harder to achieve it. She must learn beauty short-cuts wherever possible and use every moment of her spare time intelligently.

Tips for Office Girls

The following tips are for the beginning "business girl" who has not yet had time to work out her own problems. The first rule is "early to bed and early to rise." If you are a working girl, you know you must have adequate sleep, and getting up early enough in the morning for a bath or shower, face creaming, make-up and hair brushing will take at least half an hour, while an unhurried breakfast and getting to your place of business will take another half hour or more.

Put on your make-up so expertly that your face will not need retouching until your lunch hour. As a rule, you shouldn't use more make-up or more preparations than you really need. But office make-up is an exception. Even though normally you can get along without a foundation, use at least a light one for the office. Use rouge sparingly and blend it well. Then powder liberally and remove the excess. To offset any tendency this might have to cause oiliness or clogged pores, keep your skin "shiny clean" and free from all cosmetics as much as possible over the week-end when you are at home.

Or apply suntan oil and a dash of lipstick and get as much sun as possible—in a backyard, the roof, hiking in the country or at the seashore. If you can manage the latter, try to work in some simple stretching and limbering exercises, too, or take advantage of any sports that are within your means. This will help prevent that "office spread" that hips acquire after a while.

Make-up at Last Minute

Give your clothes a final inspection before you leave home. This is especially important if you wear practical dark suits or dresses at business. Apply your lipstick at the last minute so it will not be smudged or faded when you have your fruit juice and morning coffee. A pretty face doesn't excuse unbrushed collars or smudged lips.

Freshen or change your make-up at lunch time—not in the morning or afternoon when you should be at work. Don't try retouching from a powder compact or putting on lipstick at your desk, either. Either is bad taste and bad business.

Beauty repairs and most of the details of your grooming must be done at night, so make yourself a beauty schedule for major steps like shampoos, wavesets, manicures and such. Every single night you must do these things: remove old make-up and wash face and brush hair and press the wave into place, arrange the curls and put a net over them to preserve your hair-do from one shampoo to the next. Inspect and repair damaged nails, use hand lotion and apply a deodorant.

Saves On Laundry

A new and delightful way to save summer laundry bills is with glass fabric lunch cloths. When summer guests are frequent, you will have no worries about clean linen. The glass fabric is always ready. Just wipe off with soap and water after using. Off go all fruit juice drops, baby's cereal—and there is never a cigarette burn. Lovely new summer curtains in this unusual new fabric are also available.



Parasols This Summer

By ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—Are you planning to carry a parasol this summer? You are missing a good trick if you don't avail yourself of the opportunity. They are a nuisance, you say? Maybe, but since when did any such consideration stop a woman from wearing or carrying something that "does something" for her?

Parasols belong with "pretty" clothes, with feminine bonnets tied under the chin or not, and they belong, of course, with all the turn-of-the-century things that have been reinstated.

Umbrellas have gone gay on us and for such a long time that diligent trend-diggers have known all along that parasols were only a matter of time and season.

You may weep and wail that you have your hands full already, but there's always room for one more thing, especially if it "does something" for you. A pretty parasol can do plenty.

Have you fallen for the gay and giddy gloves the shops are showing? If not, you should. A pastel glove, even a brighter one when matched to parasol, hat or some detail of the costume, maybe the purse, is really a neutral costume. It also helps emphasize the particular colour of a print. Mitts are on hand again. If you wear them see that your nail harmonizes.

If you have not noticed how many red hats, usually with a matching accessory, are being worn you must be strangely oblivious to what's going on around you. Red, curiously enough, is always a good summer colour. It is good with white, gray, navy and black, not to mention a host of other things, but it must be sparingly used, an accent rather than a theme.

Don't forget red shoes or a red veil over a white hat. Which reminds me to mention that the halo type of hat, much in favour, is often worn with a veil over the face and under the brim.

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PARIS—Last midseason Schiaparelli launched Legion of Honneur red; and this is one of the important colours of spring, for all the bright, so-called military reds can be seen at any fashionable gathering, for entire hat or hat trimming, for handbag, blouse, or scarf. Even matrons, not usually given to such bright tones, are wearing red hats this summer. Legion red is comparable to the tone called castilian, luminous, frank; light, tinged neither with violet nor yellow.

Reducing Diet

For a general "tune-up" and to lose five pounds, a wellknown beauty authority suggests the following diet for ten days: Breakfast, one raw egg beaten into your favourite fruit juice, coffee or tea, no toast. Lunch: one medium helping of any desired food, but only one kind. Dinner: a large salad for the first course, anything else you want except bread or rich desserts. Before retiring a glass of fruit juice or a raw apple. Do not feel hungry at any time. If you do, eat fruit of any kind.



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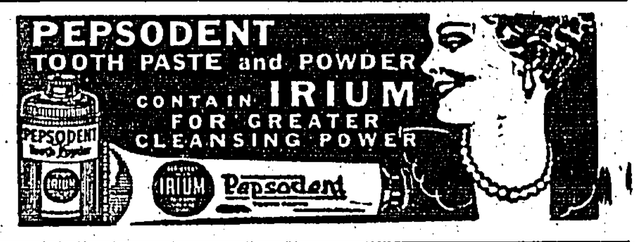
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NEW YORK, June 13 (UP.).—The Germans claim to be within 12.1/2 miles of Paris to-night.

General Weygand is withdrawing his Army in order to escape encirclement.

The eastern and western Armies of the Allies are maintaining a fairly straight line in their retreat, but the Allied army in the centre held back in the Soissons area, running the risk of being trapped in a pocket.

This Army of the centre was ordered to retreat late last night in order to avoid the Nazi trap. As a result the Germans are also advancing on Paris along the Oise and are already within artillery range of the city on this front.

The German war machine has not reached the point of exhaustion for which the Allies hoped and it has consequently become essential for General Weygand to order a retreat along the whole front.

The good order with which the retreat is being conducted indicates that the Allied lines are completely intact.

The fate of Paris now depends upon its secret outer fortifications, which are of an unknown quantity. There are vague reports that they approach the real Maginot Line in their powers of resistance.

The fall of Paris would mark the end of a successful phase of the war for Germany but it would not have a major effect on the eventual outcome.

100 Divisions In Action

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—With 100 German divisions and every available tank thrown into the battle, the enemy is making formidable efforts to reach a rapid decision on the Western Front, a French military spokesman stated.

Even training tanks are being used by the Germans.

He added that the battle is still likely to last several days, but it certainly would not bring a decision.

The Germans' main attacks are at Vernon on the Seine, north-west of Paris, where the French are trying to throw them back into the river, and in the Rheims area.

Bombing Paris Area

The Germans are bombing the Paris area, while the Allied air forces are attacking convoys, troop concentrations, bridges and other communications.

The spokesman said the Italians had not yet attacked in the Alps, but if they did they would be met with the most effective resistance.

"Situation Extremely Difficult"

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is learned in authoritative quarters that there would appear to be no slackening of the German attacks, and the situation remains extremely difficult.

The Germans are staking everything in this battle and everything depends on the ability of the French to hold off the superior forces.

The most serious thing is the development of the battle in Rheims area, where there is a very heavy attack.

Undiminished Violence

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—Paris Radio gives a communique as follows:

The battle continues with the same violence on the whole front.

Between the sea and the Oise, the enemy accentuated his efforts on the Seine from Rouen to Vernon in order to extend the bridgeheads which he succeeded in establishing south of the river.

He is seeking to push towards Evreux and Pacy-sur-Eure, but is being vigorously held by our troops.

Elsewhere, he launched reconnaissance detachments on the north bank of the Seine in the direction of Caudebec.

Lower Oise Assaults

On the Lower Oise, he has made contact with our troops in the region of Persan and Beaumont.

Between the Oulse and the Ourcq, his advance guards have started violent attacks in the region of Crepy-en-Valdis and Betz.

On the Marne in the neighbourhood of Chateau Thierry, enemy masses coming from the north have succeeded in taking certain elements to the south bank.

In Rheims Region

In the Rheims region, the enemy has thrown into battle new tank and motorised units. The entire mechanised corps, comprising three or four armoured divisions and two or three motorised divisions, has entered into the struggle.

After a bitter struggle, our divisions have withdrawn step by step and in order, to Montagne-de-Rheims.

To the north-east of Rheims, information gathered from prisoners shows that the enemy sustained very heavy losses from counter-attacks of our mechanised units and the continued bombardments of our air force.

Some of our squadrons went five times into battle during the day.

Between the Aisne and the Meuse, the enemy did not renew his attacks.

Withdrawal To Paris

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—A spokesman said to-day that further east in the Oise sector the French High Command decided two days ago to withdraw on the advanced defences of Paris the troops who were fighting at Amund, Compeigne and Soissons.

The French forces are now engaged north of Paris in the neighbourhood of Senlis.

The German troops from the Soissons region advanced through the plateau south of the Aisne where there has been bitter fighting near La FerteMilon and Fere-en-Tardenois.

The French line was then withdrawn to the Marne region around Chateau Thierry.

New Fighting Front

Thus the active fighting front now extends from the lower Seine near Rouen across the lower Oise to Meaux, 30 miles north-east of Paris, and thence along the Marne towards Rheims.

On the high Tardenois plateau between the Aisne and Marne rivers, the Germans are thrusting eastwards towards Rheims with four or five divisions two of which are armoured divisions.

Fighting is going on in the hills in the Rheims area.

This thrust was part of the pincer movement aimed at Rheims itself but the Germans engaged on the other arm of the pincer were being held up by French at Retourne.

Lively fighting has occurred in this sector during the past few days.

Similarly, the Germans failed to dent the French line further east through Attingny and Argonne.

ENERGETIC ACTION ON HOME FRONT

WAR MATERIALS INCREASE

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, in a speech given here to-day said that in the past month there had been marked and material increases in output.

On Monday he made an order bringing 1,463 works undercontrol.

"We are steadily and swiftly reducing inessential production and putting across plans for the allocation of material as between civil and war needs and as between less and more urgent requirements," he declared.

Mr. Morrison continued by saying that this was far more than a military struggle. It was a struggle for Europe's, and perhaps the world's, soul.

France Must Be Saved

"We must not let the enemy frighten or depress us by his screaming and banging," he said. "France must and will be saved. She will save herself by her own efforts and will be saved by every ounce and atom of help that Britain can bring to her aid."

He said he had three reasons for reasonable hope:

1.—The appreciable and steadily growing material help from America.

2.—That Britain was fully awake and would mobilise as never before under a leader worthy of her.

3.—Although slow to action, the British went into action and showed a resourcefulness, inventiveness and knack of adapting old and unsuspected means to great and unexpected ends.

"The British have the power to draw down achievements almost from the empty air," he continued.

"All this was seen in Dunkirk. I commend it to you as a portent. In that sign we shall conquer."

CIVIL DEFENCE COMPLETE

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—A striking indication of the large scale precautionary measures of the home defence was given by the Home Secretary, Sir John Anderson, in the course of a debate in the House of Commons to-day.

The issue of necessary equipment for civil defence services was complete, he said.

Sixty million respirators, including children's respirators, and babies helmets, had been issued as well as 3,000,000 steel helmets and 1,500,000 oil skin suits.

The number of stirrup pumps issued ran into six figures.

The total establishment of the civil defence personnel, paid and unpaid, was just short of a million.

Enormous Personnel

The fire services accounted for an additional 200,000, the auxiliary police 60,000 and the personnel in connection with the health casualty services numbered over 250,000.

The evacuation services total numbers enrolled and kept available amounted to 100,000.

Sir John Anderson mentioned that the whole subject of civil defence had taken a new turn because they had to now consider bombing attacks, invasion and parachute attacks for which they must be prepared.

There had to be the fullest collaboration between the military and civil authorities. He felt sure that the civil defence organisation now established would make a notable contribution to the co-operative effort now called for.

Mr. C. R. Attlee suggested that the debate could, if desired, be continued in secret.

However, after various views had been expressed it was decided to continue the discussion in public.

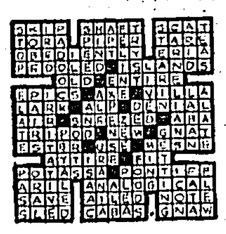
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Move smoothly
8—Suggestion
9—Green jacket
13—Beach near Venice
14—Sharpen
15—Musical instrument
16—Aboriginal Japanese
17—Desert
18—Emasculate
19—Harmed
21—Mingles
22—Drunkard
23—Excavation
24—That woman's
27—Fortune-telling
32—Make equal
35—Chamber
36—Baked clay
37—River in Russia
38—Moslem dignitary
39—Lamb's pen-name
40—Goes for a walk
41—Long period of time
44—Unit of work
45—Final profit
47—Mexican soap plant
50—Confined
55—Back of neck
56—Mountain lion
57—Roman emperor
58—Founder of Troy
59—Afghan ruler
60—Touches
61—Minus

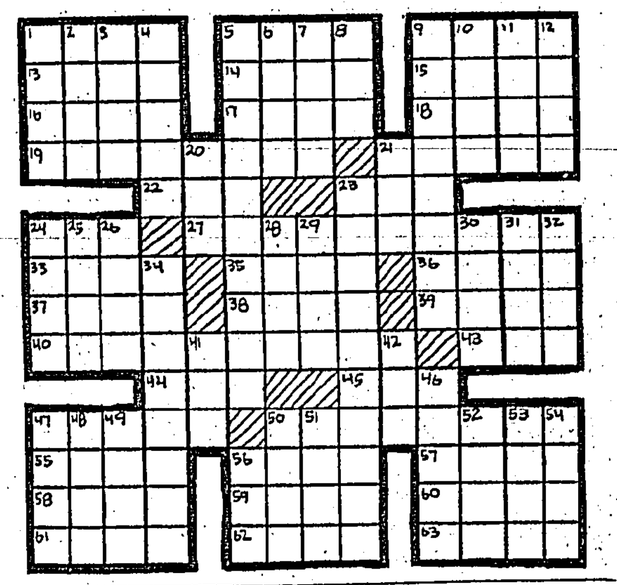
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



62—Depend upon
63—Wild plum

DOWN

1—Slender
2—Typesetting machine (col.)
3—Worshiped image
4—Puts into position
5—Idle talking
6—Learning
7—Lady of King Arthur's court
8—Married
9—Think
10—Antelope
11—Bottom of foot
12—Spreads for drying
20—Descendant
21—Silent (col.)
23—Systematic exposition
24—Assistance
25—Always
26—City in Nevada
28—Period of unconsciousness
29—Highway
30—Egyptian river
31—Name used by Addison
32—Bring forth young
34—Indiscernible
41—Before
42—Prepare table
46—Canvas houses
47—Indigo dye
48—Masculine
49—Work of art
50—Be angry
51—Man's name
52—Living
53—Therefor
54—Amount of medicine
58—Through



RUMANIA STOPS HER SHIPPING

BUCHAREST, June 12 (Reuter).—All Rumanian shipping in the Black Sea is being brought to a standstill by an order of the Rumanian authorities.

Ships in ports have been told to remain there until further notice, and those at sea are ordered to return immediately.

Shipping to Turkey has been completely stopped.

Protected Areas In Britain

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Two further coastal strips of approximately 20 miles wide were to-day declared protected areas under the new aliens' order.

One strip runs from the eastern boundary of the East Anglian area northward to the northern boundary of East Riding, Yorkshire, and the other from the western boundary of the Kent area to Land's End.

SOVIET PROTEST AT "BLOCKADE"

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Russian Ambassador, M. Oumansky, spent an hour with Mr. Cordell Hull this morning.

It is believed that he spoke in strong terms concerning interference with shipments of American goods to Russia through Vladivostok.

Italians Lay New Minefield

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ROME, June 13 (UP).—The Italian Navy has laid a minefield across the Mediterranean from Tunisia to Sicily.

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Toll For The Brave

For the third time since the war broke out the nation has to face the news that a great vessel has been sunk, and that hundreds of brave men have been drowned. As a maritime people, we have been taught in the course of our long history to bear such blows with fortitude; it was in tacit tribute to this quality that the Admiralty gave us the grievous news that the Glorious had been lost. The effect upon Britain of such losses has always been to confirm her resolution, and inspire her men to fresh efforts to ensure that their comrades shall not have died in vain. Even in times of peace the sea exacts its steady tribute of British lives. It was inevitable from the moment when war was declared that that tribute would multiply itself many times in the months that lay ahead. What must be, must be.

Though we shall not fail to bear our loss like men, we shall also claim the right, in the words of a noble line uttered by Macduff at the extremity of his grief, to feel it like men. The sinking of a big ship has in it a specially heart-rending quality, akin to the horror caused by some great cataclysm of nature, an eruption or an earthquake, which wipes out at one blow whole cities, with all their complement of human loves, hates, hopes and fears. A battle by land may have a longer casualty list, just as more devastation may be caused by pestilence or famine than by even the fiercest volcano; but the shock to the imagination is not so cruel, or the call upon sympathy so immediately insistent, as when a community of people is overwhelmed in a moment of time. It has not yet been possible to obtain a list, but it seems certain that the number of those dead in the Glorious and her attendant destroyers must be considerable. We mourn their deaths bitterly; but we shall see to it that their lives shall not have been wasted.

The English Understand Something About Perfidy

"THE English," said Hitler "understand something about perfidy." If so, it may be accepted that this generation at least has profited by close observation of the Hitler method.

When the British Government said that that peace could only be concluded with a German Government whose word could be trusted it was abundantly justified by the long history of the Fuehrer's broken promises and perjuries.

"I have stretched out the hand of peace to the rest of the world. I am the herald of European peace," Hitler announced in 1936;

From his earliest days he has shown himself to be totally unable to keep a promise:

"Your Excellency," he said to Dr. Schweyer in 1923, "I give you my word of honour that I will never attempt a putsch"—and a few months later (November, that year) he led the unsuccessful Munich putsch. In 1936 he made the stormy protest: "Our opponents ask, 'Can we trust his proposals?' This is an insult!"

"Germany is a Veritable Island of Peace"

Again and again he has insisted on stressing his peaceful intentions:

"In the relations between nations I see no problem which is incapable of an amicable solution if handled with insight. I refuse to believe that good will lacking to-day in any responsible quarter abroad" (1935).

"The German is not merely by nature ready for peace and a lover of peace. He also is, above all, conciliatory" (1937).

"Germany is the only country which has been and will remain tranquil. Germany to-day is a veritable island of peace" (1937).

It was always from Bolshevism that he was determined to save his people. With his recent pact with Russia fresh in mind the following extracts from his speeches make strange reading:

"In no circumstances would Germany fight for the Bolsheviks. Rather than sign such a pact I would hang myself" (1935).

"I cannot make a pact with the Bolshevik regime" (1936).

"We have no intention of forcing our ideals on anybody else, but let Moscow cease to spread its barbarism" (1937).

"Three States have come together. First a European axis and now a great world triangle. I am convinced that the attempts of our old opponent (Russia) to carry unrest throughout the world will experience more and more difficulties the more the triangle is consolidated" (1937).

"To Moscow, as the centre of world Bolshevism, there would be unremitting hostility" (1936).

"What We Sign We Shall Keep Loyally"

Disregard for pledge or treaty that might hamper him has always been an obvious quality in Hitler's statecraft. From the first he chafed under the remaining provisions of the Treaty of Versailles.

"And why should we pay Reparations? We of the National Socialist party are young. We are absolutely innocent of war guilt" (1931).

And yet he could declare, "I would rather die than sign anything which could not be fulfilled or which the German nation could not accept," and "What we sign we shall keep blindly and loyally" (1933 and 1935).

But in 1936 he declared, "The Rhine pact of Locarno has lost its inner meaning and in practice has ceased to exist. Germany, on her side, therefore does not consider herself any longer tied by this dead pact."

As to the Peace Treaty he said in 1933:

"Equally untrue are the suggestions that Germany is evading the terms of the Treaty in the matter of personnel. The accusation that the storm troops stand in any relationship to the Reichswehr, or that they are being trained as reservists, is untrue."

In 1935 he said:

"In these circumstances the German Government regards it as impossible to postpone any longer the measures necessary for the defence of Germany, still less to conceal them from the remainder of the world."

The introduction of universal military service and the promulgation of the law regarding the establishment of the new German Army he justified as "nothing else than the restoration to Germany of a status of equal rights which threatens nobody, but guarantees Germany's security." That was in 1936.

In 1937 came,

"The Treaty of Versailles is dead. Germany is free. The guarantor of this freedom is our own army."

"I Cling to the Eternal Laws of Morality"

And later in the same year:

"What really matters is that the German Army is here, and that Germany has got rid of her inferiority complex."

This was the man who could say in 1936

"If the rest of the world clings to the letter of treaties I cling to the eternal laws of morality."

To appreciate the principles underlying his annexation of Austria and Czechoslovakia and the Polish problems which led to the war, it is worth while turning to an illuminating paragraph in "Mein Kampf."

"History," Hitler wrote, "teaches us that nations which have once given way before the threat of arms without being forced to do so will accept the greatest humiliation and exactions rather than make a fresh appeal to force.

"He who has obtained such an advantage will, if he is clever, only make his demands in small doses. When dealing with a nation which has lost all force of character owing to its having given way, he will be entitled to expect that his fresh but piecemeal demands will not be considered worth resisting by the nation from which they are made."

So it is that in 1934 we find him saying,

"Once the Saar plebiscite has been settled, then I hope that, on the other side, problems will be seen in their true light and we shall be able to conclude a sincere peace with France."

A year later he turns his attention to Memel. "Peaceful Memel was stolen by Lithuania. The people of Memel have been oppressed for years, and Germany must turn her attention to it."

"Lies that Germany Will Attack Austria"

In 1936 came the statement, "The German people do not wish to continue waging war to readjust frontiers. Each of them is bought by sacrifices out of proportion to what is to be gained." And in the same year, "We hear such lies as that Germany will attack Austria to-morrow or perhaps Czechoslovakia."

But in 1938 came these ominous references to Austria:

"It does not lie in the power of man to stop the rolling-stone of fate which, through neglect or folly, has been set moving. I am happy to say that these ideas correspond with the point of view of the Austrian Chancellor whom I invited to visit me.

"The underlying intention was to bring about a detente in our relations which would guarantee to the National Socialist sympathisers in Austria, within the limits of the law, the same rights as those enjoyed by other citizens" (February).

Then there quickly followed:

"I have decided to place the assistance of the Reich at the disposal of the millions of Germans in Austria. Since early to-day the soldiers of German armed forces have been marching over the frontier of German Austria" (March).

"My patience is at an end" has by now a familiar ring. Here it is for the first time in his utterances of September, 1938:

"Where the Sudeten German problem is concerned my patience is at an end. I have made Benes an offer The decision between peace and war is in his hands.

"Either he will accept this offer and at last give Germans their freedom, or we shall secure this freedom for them.

"I can only tell the representatives of the democracies that if these tormented creatures cannot by their own exertions come to their rights and help themselves, they will demand both their rights and assistance from us."

"My Last Territorial Claim in Europe"

The echoes of "Mein Kampf" are plainly heard in the passage in which he declared, in November, 1938:

"We always make it a habit of negotiating first, but if we do not succeed in getting our lawful rights then National Socialist Germany will know how to enforce its rights by any means that we may enforce and may cause war. . . . I will do everything to keep Germany armed."

Here is the "herald of European peace" speaking in the same month:

"I am determined to strengthen the national defences to the utmost limit, to be prepared for all eventualities."

Here are extracts from the Czechoslovakia ultimatum speech of September, 1938:

"And now the last problem which must be solved, and will be solved, confronts us. It is the last territorial claim which I have to make in Europe, but it is the claim from which I do not recede and which I shall fulfil, God willing. . . . I am grateful to Mr. Chamberlain for all his efforts, and I have assured him that the German people want nothing but peace.

"I have assured him, and I stress it now, that when this problem is solved Germany has no more territorial problems in Europe."

In saying farewell to Mr. Chamberlain at Godesberg, Hitler repeated, with great earnestness that this was the last of his territorial ambitions in Europe and that "he had no wish to include in the Reich people of other races than German."

So we come to 1939, and all the honesty of his professions evaporates:

"Since England, to-day, upholds the view that Germany should be opposed under all circumstances and confirms it by the policy of encirclement known to us, the basis of the Navy Treaty has been removed."

With that he denounced the naval pact with Britain.

"A Pact with Our Great Neighbour Poland"

"Danzig is a German city and wishes to belong to Germany. On the other hand, this city has contracts with Poland, which were admittedly forced upon it by the Versailles Treaty."

In these words was his intention to demand Danzig foreshadowed; but in 1934, after the Polish-German non-aggression treaty had been signed, he had said:

"A pact has been signed with Poland, and by that the Reich has clearly shown its wish to maintain good relations with this great neighbour."

The belated pretext for a deliberate change of policy towards Poland was Britain's guarantee to that country when it was already threatened and Poland's pledge of assistance to us. In his speech of April 28, 1939, Hitler declared:

"This obligation (by Poland) is contrary to the agreement which I made with Marshal Pilsudski some time ago, seeing that in this agreement reference is made exclusively to existing obligations at that time, namely, to the obligations of Poland towards France of which we were aware.

"I therefore look upon the agreement which Marshal Pilsudski and I at one time concluded as having been unilaterally infringed by Poland and thereby no longer in existence."

Here, then, is the brief chronicle of promises, pledges and perfidy which the British Government had in mind when making its declaration of policy.

"For what is he they follow?
Truly, gentlemen,
A bloody tyrant and a homicide;
One raised in blood, and one in
blood established. . . ."

OUR WAR-TIME SOIREE

THERE was some swithering among the mighty men of our village as to the advisability of holding the kirk soiree this year. But tradition dies hard, and the war itself could hardly be a greater calamity than the omission of the annual spree in the kirk.

"Whit aboot the black-oot?" speired the beadle dismally. "It wad be a sair affront gin the Germans cam' owre an' us haudin' a jollification i' the hoose o' God."

The beadle has no soft spot for such ploys as soirees; there are too many burst pokes and conversation lozenges to be swept up the next day.

"Man," said big Sandy, the elder, "the wee bit wauchle o' licht that your auld lamps gi'e wadna' attract a moth, faur less a German. Ye can hing up some auld curtains gin ye're feart for bombs."

"H'm," said the beadle. "It's nae use speakin' to you. Ye'll be gaun to sing likely. Och ay! the same auld sang, 'The Lum Hat.'"

"Naethin' o' the sort! I've got a new ane for the occasion—a patriotic ane."

"Ay, I'll believe it when I hear it. Ye've been singin' 'The Lum Hat' noo for thirty years, so it's no' likely your thrapple'll tak' to a new ane."

"Wait an' see," said big Sandy mysteriously.

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It was decided at length to hold the kirk soiree on a moonlight night, but somehow or other the moon did not seem to co-operate, for on the great night a grim blackness descended on the village. It was hardly lighter inside the kirk, for the beadle had not only hung up curtains but zealously shrouded the lights with much more caution than was necessary.

"D'ye think we're gaun to play at blind man's buff?" said big Sandy, who was short-sighted at any time. "Michty me! a cat couldna' see a moose i' this licht."

Things were so bad at the back of the kirk that one worthy was heard to remark, "Jings, I was sittin' next Jock Broon for hauf an hoor afore I kent wha he was."

But the jovial spirit of the kirk soiree was in no way quenched by the sepulchral gloom, especially when the pokes were handed round and the conversation lozenges dealt out. Some consternation, however, was caused by not being able to read the inscriptions on the lozenges. The cobbler, especially, was dumbfounded to receive "I love you" from his sworn enemy, Mrs. M'Tosh, who would have been equally astounded had she been able to read, "Can you spare a kiss?" which he handed back.

The beadle as usual was anxious to avoid a poke-bursting. "We'll no' ken whuther it's guns or no," he grunted pessimistically.

"The life an' sowl o' the party," said big Sandy. "Wait till ye hear ma sang!"

"H'm, I've heard it for thirty years. I'm gaun through to the vestry when ye tak' the flair."

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When the pokes began to explode, he shuddered and wandered out to the door, just to make sure that the enemy were not stealing on them unawares. But he came back when he heard the minister starting off the programme with his usual round of jokes. The dim figures in the dingy pews shook with appreciative laughter, but though the beadle occasionally gave a grunt—which might have been a suppressed laugh—he did not hold with such unseemly mirth in the "hoose o' God."

Mellowed with tea and the contents of the pokes, the audience sat back to enjoy themselves. Though they could scarcely see the performers, the kirk soiree had for years followed such a well-known pattern that they had no difficulty in recognising the "artistes."

Mrs. M'Tosh coyly faced them, threw back her head, closed her eyes, and launched forth into:—"I Passed By Your Window."

"By jings" muttered the beadle, "I ken whit I wad do wi' ye gin ye passed by ma wundda, singin' like that!"

"Ye should hire her for an air-raid warnin'," quoth big Sandy, when she had reached her top note.

But the beadle's only reply was:—"Ye'll no' be muckle better, yersel', ma man."

After Mrs. M'Tosh's rendering had come to a skirling close, the dominie gave his usual "selection" on the fiddle, and did not stop till every string was broken and the audience, hidden in the gloom, were half-deafening.

They sat up, however, when it came at last to big Sandy's turn.

"Mr. Alexander Mackay will give his usual rendering of 'The Lum Hat,'" beamed the minister.

"Naethin' o' the sort, meenister," said big Sandy, fumbling in his pocket. "Ladies an' gentlemen, I ha'e noo the pleesure o' singin' an entirely—new—sang: 'The Sodger's Return.'"

Loud applause and cries of "Guid auld Sandy" issued from the audience. Sandy bowed, cleared his throat, and peered at his notes.

"Can ye no' turn up the lichts?" he said, in an anxious aside to the beadle, but that worthy unhelpfully muttered something about "regulations" and faded further into the background.

It was unfortunate that Sandy, whose memory was as short as his eyesight, had not succeeded in getting the words of his new song off by heart, nor could he read the notes in the dim light.

"Ca' awa', Sandy," came encouragingly from the audience.

"It'll be 'The Lum Hat' efter a'," groaned the beadle, and big Sandy, seeing there was no other way out, was regretfully forced to shove "The Sodger's Return" back into his pocket and launch forth, on his well-tried favourite. The audience, however, were in no way disconcerted. As they remarked when scaling: "The kirk soiree wadna' be the same without Sandy's Lum Hat."

As the beadle was turning out the "lights," he remarked maliciously:—"Man, Sandy, I likit your new sang!"

But big Sandy did not take up the challenge. Instead he handed the beadle a conversation lozenge, inscribed:—"Lighten up my darkness," remarking:—"Sook that gaun hame, ma' man, an' mind your step, or the Germans'll get ye!"

Lavinia Derwent

A LINGERING LOVE

HOW true are the words of the Latin poet:—"I know not by what sweet charm our native soil attracts us to it and does not suffer us ever to forget it."

Travelling in New England some time ago, we were shown over a residence for the elderly. The spacious rooms, the organisation, and attention by which the occupants were made comfortable were as much a joy as the brightness and activity of the lady, about 85 years young—who showed our small group round. Characteristically American remarks were passed, especially regarding the place from which each had come, the answers revealing that not only were Americans of the company but visitors from European countries also.

The writer had remained silent but observant until courtesy made a remark necessary, when at once our guide seemed to become more alert than before, with both eyes and ears evincing a recognition of kinship.

Then, with a smile which she had long been familiar, she quietly, yet in the broadest of American speech, asked, "And where do you come from?"

To my confession of being from Edinburgh she replied—and there was an obvious yearning in her voice—"Ah, Edinburgh! I ought to know Edinburgh. My father left Edinburgh as a young man. He came to this country and we, his girls, born here, knew Edinburgh well from his frequent and affectionate descriptions.

"How he loved Edinburgh! How he hoped and tried to see it again in his later years! He became frail, but ever continued to speak of the far-off yet ever-dear city of his youth. A time came when he seemed to be passing and to those around him he said quietly, 'I'm not feeling very well so I'll try and sleep a bit before I tak' the long road. I'll have a dander round by Edinburgh and

WHAT IL DUCE IS GAMBLING AGAINST

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The following are some facts from an authoritative source concerning the economic position of Italy:

(1) 75 per cent. of Italy's whole import trades are sea-carried. Fifty-five per cent. enters the Mediterranean via Gibraltar and six per cent. via Suez;

(2) Italian self-sufficiency is far below Germany's. While she possibly will be able to feed herself for a year, she is gravely deficient in essential raw materials such as iron, coal, coke, petroleum, timber, copper, tin and rubber;

Dangerous Scarcity

(3) Even supposing that the Allies are forced temporarily to abandon the Mediterranean, Italy and Germany would find themselves dangerously short of nickel, tin, molybdenum, cobalt, tungsten, copper, rubber textiles and Colonial produce;

(4) With the Allies in control of the Mediterranean, Italy's position is even more serious. The only external supplies available would be from the exportable surplus of domestic produce in Central Europe, the Balkans, Russia, Switzerland and Scandinavia, in all of which she must compete with both for materials and transportation. (For example, there are insufficient tank-waggons to carry petroleum both to Italy and Germany from Rumania). The Italian forces in East Africa, moreover, would have to subsist on the stocks already accumulated;

Becomes Liability

(5) Once her very limited accumulation of war stocks is consumed, Italy thus becomes an increasing liability to Germany and a competitor for the same available resources, including Germany's own stocks. Moreover, the considerable gap of the blockade hitherto constituted by Italy acting as a channel for Germany's import and export trade with the outside world is closed. Italy has no export surplus for Germany except possibly fruit and vegetables. There will thus be a substantial loss in their combined economic potential as soon as Italy has consumed her stocks of strategic raw materials and finished goods.

Can Only Last Months

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Economic experts in London point out that Italy's capacity to endure the war must be reckoned in terms of months rather than years.

Sixty-one per cent. of Italy's pre-war trade lay outside the Mediterranean and now it will be lost.

The greater part of her essential war materials has also come from beyond the Mediterranean and this will be completely cut off.

Mussolini is known to have been laying in stocks of war materials since last September, but owing to Italy's bad credit position, these stocks cannot be large enough to tide the country over more than a few months of warfare.

Precarious Position

As far as many of Italy's lost imports are concerned, she will be a liability rather than an asset to Germany.

More than 80 per cent. of Italian petrol imports came from beyond the Mediterranean and the bulk of the remainder from Rumania. Clearly Italy cannot obtain more from the latter source at the expense of Germany.

For coal, Italy will have to rely on German supplies and 40 per cent. of these have lately been carried over the Frankfurt-Basle railway, which is very vulnerable to military action.

A great deal of Italy's pre-war food supplies were also imported from countries outside the Mediterranean and Italy can only replace these by competing in the Balkans with her ally, who is already badly hit by the blockade.

The goods Britain has normally imported from Italy are stated to be relatively unimportant and can be obtained without difficulty from other countries.

Imports Cut Off

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Since her entry into the war as Germany's ally, eighty per cent. of Italy's imports have been completely cut off by the Allied blockade of the Mediterranean.

NEW PACIFIC AIR ROUTE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 12 (UP).—Pan American Airways have been granted the necessary permits to operate the new route between San Francisco, Honolulu, Canton Island, Noumea and Auckland (New Zealand).

The time-table between San Francisco and Auckland calls for a 4½-day service, compared with 17 days for steamers.

The new line will connect with the existing Pan-American service to Hongkong and the Far East at Honolulu.

U.S. Senator Warns, "No War" Vote

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—"We ought to serve notice that a majority of the Senators are not going to get into it," declared Senator Wheeler, in the Senate to-day.

Senator Wheeler is a Democratic candidate for Presidential nomination.

He added that he would break with the Democratic Party if it became a "War Party".

MORE RAIDS ON ITALIAN BASES

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pected of Italian sympathies are being closely watched.

Jaffa and Tel-a-Viv have been declared protected areas. No civilians will be allowed to approach these areas without special permission.

Aden Calm And Ready

ADEN, June 12 (Reuter).—Aden is calm and prepared. The Governor of the Colony has paid a tribute to the loyalty and co-operation of all sections of the populace.

Alexandria Raid Alarm

ALEXANDRIA, June 12 (Reuter).—The air raid alarm was sounded this evening. The "All Clear" was given ten minutes later.

Inspiring Message

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Lord Lloyd, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has sent the following message to the Governors of Kenya, Somaliland, Malta, Aden, Cyprus and Gibraltar:

"As the result of the latest developments in the war situation, the territory for which you are responsible has been brought within the zone of active military operations and is now, or may be called upon, to share directly in the dangers and hardships of modern war.

"We are confident that these dangers and hardships will be faced with pride and determination, and I hasten to assure you of my conviction that the people of your territory will display in these momentous times the courage and resolution characteristic of the peoples of the British Empire, and that the day will come when we shall look back proudly and with thankfulness to the part they have played in achieving victory over the King's enemies."

FAMOUS POLISH SUBMARINE LOST

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nounced that she had exceeded her time limit allowed by International Law and she was placed under arrest.

Orzel Escapes

Breech blocks, charts and small arms were removed, and preparations were made to take off the torpedoes. Two guards were put on the vessel, but the crew had made up their minds to escape. A Polish officer severed the wire hoisting the torpedoes out of the submarine, while the captain got busy with a hacksaw, severing all hawsers holding the submarine, except one.

At midnight, two burley sailors bundled the guards into the submarine.

The sound of the forward capstan gave them away and the destroyers in the harbour turned their searchlights on the Orzel, and peppered her with rifle fire.

Runs Aground

The submarine made for the entrance of the harbour where she ran aground. Despite rifle fire the crew managed to get out. They first landed the guards on a small island, and sent out a radio that they were safe.

Then for a fortnight the submarine cruised around, chiefly in shallow waters, in which the vessel frequently grounded. On the 38th day, when water supplies were running low, the crew decided to reach England.

In the North Sea, their radio went out of action so that they could put out no recognition signals, thus placing themselves at the mercy of both British and German anti-submarine craft.

In Skagerrak Action

However, the submarine managed to get a faint message through to a British shore station, and a British destroyer went out and escorted the submarine into harbour after 44 days of exciting adventures.

Later the Orzel, in company with other units of the Polish Navy, became affiliated with the British Navy, and she took part in the great naval action in the Skagerrak and Kattegat, where she sank several Nazi transports.

Explosion In Ship's Hold

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUENOS AIRES, June 12 (UP).—An explosion, followed by an intense fire, occurred in No. 3 hold of the Royal Mail Line's 4,710-ton freighter Gascony this morning.

The Gascony was anchored in the harbour.

It is believed the explosion was caused by bombs.

Two members of the crew were injured.

Church Bells To Peal Warning

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—The Church has been called in to assist in dealing with parachutists.

The Archbishop of Canterbury to-day revealed that Sir John Anderson has requested that church bells be rung as a warning of the approach of parachutists or air borne troops.

The Archbishop has promised that the Church will comply.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

Market was very quiet.

Buyers	Sellers	Sales
Nil	Nil	Nil

FOUND HE WAS "PROTECTED"!



Awakened by roar of airplanes, this resident of Copenhagen, Denmark, rushed to street in pajamas and slippers. There he picked up Nazi pamphlet dropped from plane, explaining "protection."

SITUATION ANALYSED

What Italy's Entry May Portend

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is more than likely that Italy entered the war at a time when the Germans were putting every effort into the battle for Paris, rather because Hitler requested reinforcements than that Mussolini had decided to come in with an eye to booty, said a military expert here to-day.

How could Italy hope to help Germany?

Three Considerations

There are three main points:

1.—A large French Army must be employed on the Alpine front. Indeed this army has already taken up its positions.

2.—The Allied troops in the Mediterranean and Near East will be kept busy and cannot be sent to France.

3.—The Italians may take over part of the Western Front thus relieving the Germans for their drive on Paris.

Point 3 is an interesting subject for study.

Prior to 1914, when Italy was a member of the Triple Alliance with Germany and Austria, Italy took over the Alsace Lorraine front and thus relieved the German troops for other duties.

That plan fell through when Italy joined the Allies.

Similar Plan?

It is possible that a similar plan is being put through now that the Italian troops have passed through the Brenner Pass.

The Germans have flung many fresh troops into the battle for France. The arrival of Italian troops under German officers might explain this.

The military expert emphasised that there was no official confirmation of this. He said that it was only his own theory. However, he thought it worthy of close attention.

The Tender Spot

Abyssinia is the tender spot and can be cut off from communication with Italy.

It was stated in London that 60,000 white Italians living there are already in a difficult position through food shortage and the hostile population.

The position is similar around Libya which is dependent on sea transport for water. There is already a shortage of water there.

The Allies are just as well placed in the Mediterranean as the Italians.

Western Front Vital

It may well be that in a short time some of our planes there may be spared for the Western Front.

It is on the Western Front that the war will be won or lost.

The French are hard-pressed and may have to relinquish Paris.

British reinforcements are pouring into France almost as quickly as they evacuated from Dunkirk.

General Weygand and his men are calm. That is the best feature of the situation.

The speaker pointed out that we have become accustomed to think of battles in terms of territory whereas to-day the French think only in terms of the complete destruction of the German armies.

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—A new Order in Council provides for one month's imprisonment and/or a fine of £50 for any person found guilty of publishing any report or statement relating to matters connected with the war likely to cause alarm or despondency.

BIRTHDAY PARADE

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Hennessy Road were H. E. Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief, H. E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, General Officer Commanding, Group Captain H. M. K. Brown, R.A.F., His Honour, Sir A. D. A. MacGregor, Chief Justice, members of the Executive and Legislative Councils and prominent European and Chinese residents. Also present were members of the Consular body.

A smart Guard of Honour of 100 men from the Royal Scots was drawn up when the Officer Administering the Government attended by his Police A.D.C., Mr. B. C. Fay, arrived at the junction of Hennessy Road and Luard Road at 8.15 a.m., escorted by a motor cycle detachment from the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

On His Excellency's arrival the Union Jack was broken at the mast-head and the Guard of Honour gave the Royal Salute, during which the National Anthem was played by the massed regimental bands of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots, the 1st Battalion, The Middlesex Regiment, the 5/0th Rajputana Rifles and 1st Kumaon Rifles under the direction of Bandmaster H. Jordan.

The Royal Standard was then broken and the Union Jack lowered as the Guard came to the "Present."

His Excellency then inspected the Guard accompanied by the General Officer Commanding, afterwards taking up his position on the dais for the march past.

The March Past

Led by Major-General Grasett, the Officer Commanding, the garrison units began the march past the official stand at 8.25 a.m. while the massed regimental bands played at the saluting base.

Troops taking part included:

Approximately 100 ratings from the Royal Navy; three batteries (125 men) 8th. Heavy Regt., R.A.; three batteries (125 men) 12th. Heavy Regt., R.A.; three batteries (150 men) 5th. A.A. Regt., R.A.; 1st. H.K. Regt., H.K.S.R.A. (250 men); two companies (250 men) Fortress Engineers; H.K. Signal Company (50 men); three companies (300 men) 2nd. Batt. Royal Scots; four companies (400 men) 1st. Middlesex Regt.; four companies (400 men) 5/0th. Rajputana Rifles; three companies (300 men) 1st. Kumaon Rifles; Hongkong Mule Corps (100 men); detachment H.K.V.D.C. (800 men); detachment (50 men) Royal Air Force.

After the Parade the Officer Administering the Government received members of the Consular body at Government House.

Govt. House Reception

In honour of His Majesty the King's birthday a reception for members of the Consular body in the Colony was held at Government House at 11 a.m. to-day.

Guests, who included representatives of all Consulate Generals and Consulates in the Colony with the exception of the German and Italian Consulates were received by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith.

The Dean of the Consular body, the Belgian Consul-General, M. Henry Vanderstraeten proposed the toast to the King to which His Excellency replied.

Those present included representatives of the American, Japanese, French, Norwegian, Danish, Swedish and Dutch Consulates.

A luncheon, which was attended by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government was held at the Hongkong Club to-day.

The official dinner, which was to have been held at Government House this evening has been cancelled.

Submarine Overdue

Polish Vessel Believed To Be Lost

London, June 12.

The Polish Naval Staff in London announces that as the return of the submarine Orzel from patrol is now considerably overdue, she must be presumed lost.—*Reuter.*

Knows Nazi Strength

London, June 12.

During question time in the House of Commons to-day Mr. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, declared that he had information as to the number of swift torpedo boats possessed by Germany and of their speed.—*Reuter.*

ROME ULTIMATUM

Minister Hands Note To Egypt

Cairo, June 12.

The Italian Minister has handed an ultimatum to the Egyptian Government but the terms have not yet been divulged.

The Chamber has resolved to sever diplomatic relations with Italy.

About 700 Italians have been rounded up throughout Egypt and interned near the Red Sea.—*United Press.*

GERMANS LOSE THEIR JOBS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BOGOTA, June 12 (UP).—The Colombia Nationalize Aviation Company has dismissed eighty German pilots, radio-operators and mechanics.

They will be replaced by Americans.

The Germans will receive 500,000 pesos as compensation.

U.S. LINER WAS HELD BY U-BOAT

NAZI ADMISSION

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—There have been two amazing developments as a result of the stopping of the American refugee liner Washington by a submarine off Portugal on Monday.

It is officially admitted in Berlin that the submarine was a German U-boat. Their explanation is that the German Government had not been told that the Washington was calling at Galway (to which she was proceeding from Lisbon when stopped).

This statement has now been supplemented by the German-Radio, which states that the U-Boat commander thought at first that the ship was British, and adds that it is incorrect to say that the United States Government had notified all governments concerned that the ship was returning home via Ireland.

The German Government did not learn until this afternoon that the ship was calling at an Irish port; in addition to Bordeaux and Lisbon, said Berlin-Radio.

It is pointed out in London that at 11.15 p.m. British Standard Time on June 7, Hamburg-Radio stated that the Washington would call at an Irish port at 6 a.m. on Monday. The official German-Radio also said that the Washington was calling at an Irish port.

"But this afternoon, the German Radio, with unparalleled impudence, is asking the world to believe that the German Government did not know what the rest of the world knew for days, and what its own radio stations had known for days.

U-BOAT STOPPED WASHINGTON

Open Admission By Nazi Wireless

LONDON, Jun 12 (Reuter).—The official German wireless to-day admitted that it was a German U-boat which stopped the American refugee liner, Washington, off the north-west coast of Portugal yesterday.

The announcer, explaining the incident, said the German U-boat sighted a steamer proceeding northward. The U-boat commander was under the impression that she was a Greek vessel and therefore signalled her to stop.

When, during the exchange of signals which followed, it appeared that she was American, the U-boat captain allowed her to pass freely.

The announcer denied that the German Government had been notified that the Washington had left.

WORLD WAR WARNING

NEW YORK, June 12 (Reuter).—In a brief speech at the World's Fair "United Kingdom Day" ceremonies, Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, emphasised that Italy's action might turn the present conflict into a world war.

Mayor La Guardia referred to the Magna Carta as the emblem of liberty-loving people all over the world and added, "If the Italian people had a voice in their government, the Italian Ambassador would be present and gloriously to-day instead of being absent and ashamed."

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, returned from France to-night and shortly after reaching London, he had an audience with the King lasting half-an-hour.

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SPORTS NEWS FROM HOME

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION AT WIMBLEDON

Cricketers Subscribe To Red Cross Fund

THE WIMBLEDON "CHAMPIONSHIPS" mentioned last week, have been explained. A report in a Home newspaper recently arrived in the Colony states that an *International* tennis tournament has been staged for Wimbledon this month. Miss Cleather, Secretary of the All-England Club stated that it will be a two-day meeting, and many of the leading men and women have signified their intention to take part.

Mrs. Menzies (Kay Stammers) started the ball rolling in the same direction, namely in aid of the British Red Cross Fund, when a little while ago she partnered Peggy Scriven against Jean Nichol and B. Yorke.

It may not be that as an International event it will be highly successful, for though no mention is made of what foreign talent there is in England at the moment it isn't likely to amount to much. But, at least, among the British players themselves a sufficient number of the ranking players are available to make up for the deficiency.

War workers in and around London and those who can obtain leave to take part include R. A. Shayes (now, it is understood, in the R.A.F.), D. W. Butler, M. D. Delaford, Flying Officer C. E. Malfroy, R. J. Ritchie, E. R. Avory, Flying-Officer L. Shaffi, Pilot-Officer D. Haskell (Britain's leading professional), Miss Joan Ingram and the above mentioned four women.

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MEMBERS playing during the season for clubs affiliated to the Club Cricket Conference are asked to contribute a penny for every match in which they take part.

This was decided at the annual general meeting of the C.C.C. in response to an appeal made by Mr. S. Christopherson, President of the M.C.C. It is estimated that if Clubs support this appeal and collect the small sums after each game the Red Cross Fund will eventually benefit to the extent of £750.

Owing to the fact that amateurs, professionals and colts are engaged in war work there will be no Kent county cricket during the coming season. This fact is revealed in the annual report of the County Committee.

Meanwhile, it is stated, the Committee has instructed the Canterbury Committee to carry on the business of the club during the war unless special circumstances should arise, and members have been invited to continue all of part of their subs. during the war. A total of 313 members, including 51 juveniles, joined and 321 resigned from the club or died during 1939. The total number of Members is 3,166. The accounts show a loss of £203 2s. 8d. compared with a balance of £2,001 12s. 2d. for 1938.

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THE birth of a son to Mrs. Nancy Glover, wife of Captain Philip Glover, R.N. is announced. Mrs. Glover, the elder daughter of Sir Leonard Lyle, has represented Great Britain in the Wightman Cup at Wimbledon and in New York. She was runner-up to Miss Dorothy Round in the Australian singles championship of 1935. Captain Glover has won the tennis championship of the Navy 8 times.

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CAMBRIDGE University are making a determined effort to arrange cricket matches at Fenner's, and fixtures with the London Counties XI, the Club Cricket Conference, and Cambridegeshire are practically certain. J. R. Thompson, the captain, is expected to be in residence, and in addition to J. Webster, the secretary, there will be several Crusaders available.

Surrey C.C.C. have arranged a series of two-day games during the coming cricket season, at Dulwich, Guildford, Richmond and Wimbledon. More fixtures are expected, and other club grounds may be used.

Guildford attracted attention last year and in 1938, when Surrey broke their custom of playing all their county matches at the Oval.

Dulwich have a large ground near Herne Hill, and the Richmond ground is on the Kew road.

There has been no move yet to get a Home Office decision on cricket crowds, but in most outdoor sports there now seems to be a definite drift towards 50% of a ground's total capacity.

Already, as far as Soccer is concerned, the two biggest grounds in Britain, Hampden Park and Wembley, have received sanction for 75,000 and 50,000 respectively—half their 'house-full' crowds.

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SYDNEY Wooderson ran an exhibition mile in 4 min. 25 sec. at the Northern Public Schools athletic meeting in Manchester on May 18.

He had W. E. Becker, of Blackheath Harriers, and Manchester A.C., as pacer, but left him behind in the third lap.

Twenty five schools, represented by 155 athletes, competed for the team championship, which was won by Cheadle Hulme, Manchester, with 71 points.

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For Heavyweight Title

Opponent For Joe Louis

NEW YORK, June 12 (UP).—Mike Jacobs, the world famous boxing promoter, has matched Billy Conn with Bob Pastor in a 15-rounds heavyweight bout on August 13 at the Polo Grounds.

The winner will probably meet Joe Louis for the world crown in September.

Water-Polo At The European Y.M.C.A.

Seniors Beat 7th A.A. Bty; Juniors And R.A.S.C. Draw

TWO WATER POLO MATCHES were played at the European Y.M.C.A. last night; in the senior game the "Y" accounted for the 7th Anti-Aircraft Battery, Royal Artillery, by 2-1, and in the junior game, the "Y" (strengthened by the inclusion of three seniors) drew 3-3 with the Royal Army Service Corps.

The "Y" took a two goals' lead against the Gunners in the first half through May and Dodd. The former was playing up to his usual standard. He effectively blocked the centre of the pool for Page and Robinson, and at the same time kept an ever watchful eye on his forwards and placed his passes where they were most effective.

Hunt and Dodd, the wingers, were an improvement and though the latter scored one of the first-half goals, his value would have been considerably increased had he passed on occasions instead of trying shots from difficult angles.

In defence, Eardley (goal), Benn and Chater worked hard, and with powerful clearances kept the Gunners' attack from being as penetrating as it might have been.

GOOD 'KEEPING

The Gunners were best served by Whittle, in goal. He figured in numerous saves, though his clearances were not very accurate. Wilson was the power of the backs. Yabsley was being repeatedly pulled up for wrong tackling.

Molyneaux, centre half, lost several openings for his forwards through weak passing. He was, nevertheless, a great trier, and his efforts contributed to make the forward line continually threatening. Page was the best of the forwards, though it was through Wilson that the Gunners reduced arrears in the second half.

The teams were:

Y.M.C.A.—H. Eardley; L. H. Chater, L. A. Benn; G. T. May; A. R. Hunt, R. Goldman, A. Dodd.

7th A.A.—Whittle; Wilson, Yabsley; Molyneaux; Page, Robinson, Vascoe.

R.A.S.C. Almost Manage A Victory

THE R.A.S.C. almost managed victory against the "Y" juniors, conceding a goal in the last quarter of the game to allow the "Y" to draw 3-all.

The Service Corps also threw away many opportunities in the second half by disorganised attack. Andrews and Martin were the pick of the defence.

All three goals for the "Y" were scored by the seniors, May and Chater (2). The "Y" led 2-1 at the interval, Andrews having scored for the Service Corps.

In the second half, Richards broke away twice and recorded goals to give the R.A.S.C. the lead 3-2. This they maintained until almost the end when Chater scored his second.

The teams were:

Y.M.C.A.—Martin; L. A. Benn, F. Willis; G. T. May; F. A. Weller, B. S. Wilson, L. H. Chater.

R.A.S.C.—Reid; Andrews, Thomas; Martin; Theaker, Richards, Beatson-Sneddon.

HOW THE FIRST PASTOR-LOUIS BOUT ENDED



END OF BOUT — For the eighth time since Joe Louis won his heavyweight boxing title two years ago, he successfully defended it against gallant Bob Pastor, in Detroit. Here is the fight's end, after Louis kayoed Pastor in 11th round. Hennessy is referee.

UPS

Baseball

Boston Red Sox Beat Indians

NEW YORK, June 12 (UP).—Boston Red Sox, now leaders in the American Baseball League, moved further ahead of the Detroit Tigers to-day with a 9-5 victory over the Cleveland Indians—Detroit being beaten by the New York Yankees 7-5.

The scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	5	13	0
Battery: Milnar, Harder, Naymick, Hemsley.			
Boston	9	11	1
Battery: Harris, Bagby, Desaultels, Peacock.			
Detroit	5	7	0
Battery: Newsom, Benton, McKain, Sullivan.			
New York	7	12	1
Chicago	2	6	0
Battery: Lee, Tresh, Silvester.			
Philadelphia	3	3	0
Battery: Potter, Hayes.			
St. Louis	2	6	1
Battery: Auker, Swift.			
Washington	3	6	0
Battery: Chase, Early.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

The New York Giants-Chicago Cubs game was postponed.

TAISTO Mackl, the great Finnish runner, in his last competitive appearance in America, was beaten into third place in a two-mile event at Los Angeles.

Walter Mehl (Wisconsin) won in 9 mins. 1.8 secs., with Gregory Price second.

PONT LEVEQUE WINS DERBY SUBSTITUTE

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Pont Leveque, 10-1, won the Derby substitute to-day at Newmarket to where the race was removed from the traditional Epsom Downs owing to the war.

The results were:

Pont Leveque (Sam Wragg) .. 1
Turkhan (Smirke) 2
Lighthouse (Perryman) 3

Odds on Turkhan were 100-7 and 85-40 on Lighthouse.

Sixteen ran. Three lengths separated first from second, and a short head second from third. Special place betting was 5-4 on Stardust and 11-10 on Tantmieux.

The winner was bought privately by Mr. Darling from H. E. Morriss, former Shanghai sportsman, whose Paques was unplaced.

Others: Black Toni (Lowrey), Golden Tiger (Beasley), Hipplus (E. Smith), King of Trumps II (Nevett), Mornbnbad (D. Smith), Olidon (Lane), Pharatis (E. Eliot), Paques (Weston), Ridley (Taylor), Stardust (Harry Wragg), Tant Mieux (Gordon Richards), Solway Firth (Beary), Romulus (Marshall).

JOCKEYS AND STARTERS FOR THE OAKS

Riders in the Oaks to be run tomorrow will probably include.—Chambrella (E. Smith), Golden Penny (Beary), Mannawind (Herbert), Belleheim (Perryman), Drawing Prize (Cliff Richards).



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"Go to blazes!"

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"*You'll get one now if you don't clear out.* [*Pause.*] *What did you say about lime juice?*"

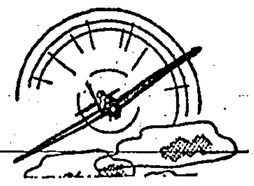
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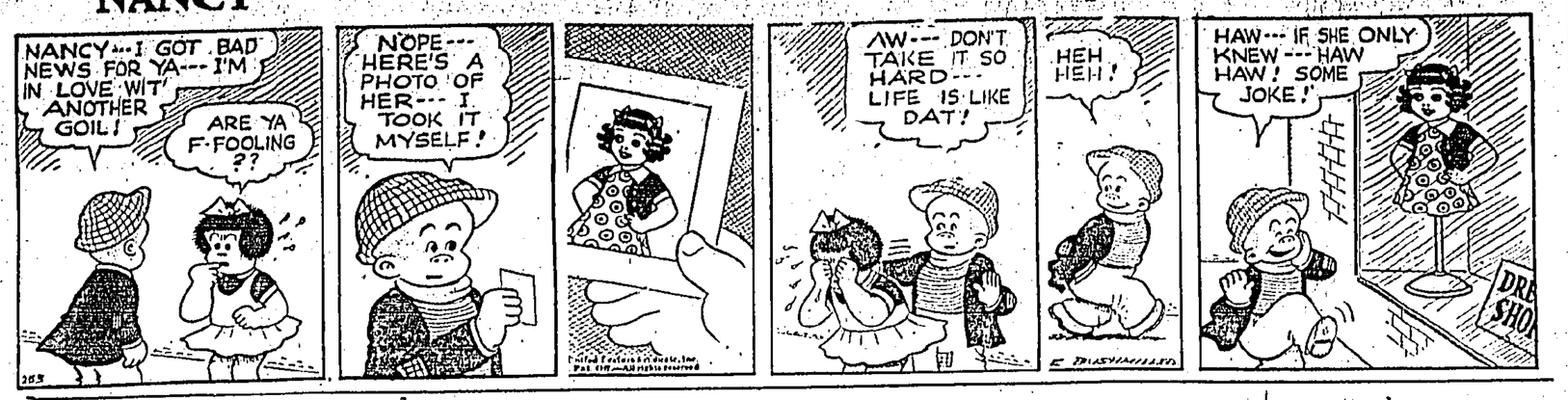
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CHINESE CUSTOMS SERVICE

M.P.'s Warning In House Of Commons

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Major General Sir A. W. F. Knox put forward a question regarding the Chinese Customs administration.

He asked whether they had been able to resist foreign interference.

Continues To Function

Mr. R. A. Butler, Secretary of State, in replying, said that despite obvious difficulties during the past three years, this international service had been able to continue to function under the able administration of Sir Frederick Maze.

The light-house and harbour departments, which had an important bearing on foreign shipping, were under the technical control of a Coast Inspector, who is at present an American appointed by Sir Frederick Maze and under his administrative control.

Mr. Butler added that the International Bankers Commission had ceased many years ago in order to exercise the effective control of Custom's revenue.

Pertinent Questions

"Does the Under-Secretary of State realise that this organisation is the only foundation on which trade, shipping and finance rests in China?" enquired Major-General Knox. "Does he realise that if any other foreign Powers get hold of it, British interests would be irretrievably destroyed?"

Mr. Butler replied that the organisation's importance and international character were fully appreciated. He added, however, that Major-General Knox had done service by drawing their attention to its importance.

Famed Grenadier Guards In Action

THE FAMOUS GRENADIER GUARDS are now manning front lines in France, and here we have two striking photographs, issued by the War Office, of these brilliant fighters in action. Below, a remarkable action picture showing one Grenadier in the act of hurling a hand grenade, while the other, with a look of ferocious intent, bites off the fuse cap just before throwing the bomb. Below, a more peaceful study of one of the guardsmen, enjoying a letter just received from Home.—Crown Copyright Photographs.





R.A.F. Operations

Nazi Columns Raked With M. G. Fire

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique records the continuation of repeated R.A.F. bombings on enemy columns in the loops of the Seine River, east of Rouen and adjacent to a wooded area.

Low-flying machine-gun attacks were also made.

Two enemy fighters were shot down.

Four of our aircraft are missing.

100 Bombs A Minute

During one ten minute action bombs were dropped at the rate of 100 per minute.

Attacking in sections at a height varying from 900 to 6,000 feet, the bombers released a salvo wrecking convoys and scattering the mechanised columns.

Road junctions were blocked and the woods set ablaze.

The night operations included the bombing of key points in the rear of the fighting zones.

Cologne Raided

Other aircraft attacked military objectives in Cologne and elsewhere in western Germany.

During a reconnaissance over northern Italy, heavy bombers operating from Britain attacked military objectives at Turin. Others bombed targets at Genoa.

One of our heavy bombers is missing.

During yesterday's operations over France, at least eight enemy aircraft were destroyed.

One of our fighters is missing.

Off the south-east coast this morning a Spitfire shot down a Heinkel bomber.

Magnificent French Effort

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—To-night's French air communique states that the French air force continued throughout the last 24 hours their magnificent effort in the battle.

Heavy and light bomber squadrons operated day and night on the back areas of the enemy, considerably embarrassing his manoeuvres.

Numerous convoys, marshalling yards and troop concentrations have been attacked by bombs.

French heavy bomber squadrons in addition, penetrated deeply into enemy territory and carried out numerous bombardments of military objectives, factories and railways.

OTTAWA, June 12 (Reuter).—Mr. J. Pierrepont Moffat, the new United States Minister to Canada, arrived here to-day to take up his duties.

STOCK EXCHANGE CHEERFUL

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange was generally cheerful with the prices of most of the leading groups tending to rise despite the small volume of trading.

Gilt-edged securities were firm. Home-rails notably strengthened. Foreign bonds were steady.

Of the industrials, gains outnumbered losses. Gold-mining shares benefitted on better support while the leading oil shares improved.

Wall Street was firm.

U.S. Manufacture Of Munitions

WASHINGTON, June 12 (Reuter).—The War Department is turning over to private industry its reserve machinery for the manufacture of powder, small arms, ammunition and ammonia.

President Roosevelt's secretary also stated that the War Department was making excellent progress in survey materials and a survey of materials supplies that may be advantageously declared to be surplus materials and which will be turned over to the steel export company.

Evacuation To Dominions

Official Expression Of Appreciation

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter)—In connection with the suggested evacuation of all children from the United Kingdom to the Dominions, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, the Under Secretary for the Dominions stated in the House of Commons to-day, that on behalf of the United Kingdom, he thanked these governments for their offers to take any number of children.

An Inter-Departmental committee has been formed to consider the offer and the most urgent consideration is being given the whole situation.

As soon as practicable arrangements have been made, announcements will be made, giving the addresses to which applications or enquiries can be sent.

In reply to a question, Mr. Shakespeare agreed that the principle of nomination by which children will go to the homes of friends or relatives was one on which good administration can be founded.

TIENTSIN ISSUES SETTLED

Japan And Britain Come To Terms

TOKYO, June 13 (Reuter).—A Foreign Office spokesman declares that an agreement has been reached on questions at issue between Britain and Japan relating to the British Concession at Tientsin.

The agreement, he said, covers policing, and the silver and currency questions.

The statement does not refer to the question of the Chinese silver in the French Concession in Tientsin, which will apparently take further time for settlement.

Details Later

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is learned in London that details of the Anglo-Japanese agreement on Tientsin will be made available when the arrangement is definitely signed in a few days' time.

However, it is gathered that with regard to the silver question, the arrangement provides that the money shall be deposited in a bank in the Settlement in an account under the signatures of the British and the Japanese Consuls-General.

Ten per cent. (approximately £10,000) will be allocated to famine and flood relief.

A solution to the inherent difficulties with regard to the disposal of this silver has thus been found which is acceptable to all parties.

Chungking Govt. Interests Safeguarded

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 12 (UP).—Britain acted in full consultation with the Chungking Government before reaching the agreement with Japan on the Tientsin issue.

It is understood that Chungking's interests have been fully safeguarded.

The agreement is believed to include the following points:

1.—Approximately seven-eights of the Chinese silver in the British Concession, valued at £75,000, will be deposited in the Chinese Bank of Communications in Tientsin under an Anglo-Japanese seal. The remainder (about £10,000) will be devoted to flood and drought relief in North China;

2.—Japan will lift the 13-months-old barbed-wire blockade almost immediately;

3.—Japanese police will be permitted to co-operate with the British authorities inside the Concession in suppressing terrorists;

4.—Technicalities will be removed in order to permit the free circulation of Japanese-sponsored currency inside the Concession.

JAPANESE TAKE ICHANG SUBURBS

HANKOW, June 13 (Reuter).—Japanese troops were reported to have occupied the suburbs of Ichang yesterday evening after an all-day bombing operation.

TURKEY'S DECISION IMMINENT

Merely A Matter Of Hours

ANKARA, June 12 (Reuter).—**There does not appear to-night to be the slightest doubt regarding Turkey's position, the only question being the exact moment and the exact method.**

As one unofficial but well-informed spokesman told "Reuter's" special correspondent to-night, "Turkey's obligations under the Treaty appear clear and Turkey honours her obligations."

Ankara Prepares

Outwardly Ankara is still a peaceful, sunny mountain township, but throughout the day there has been a constant flow of consultations in Government quarters and great activity at all the Embassies of the Western Powers.

The wail of air raid sirens was heard for the first time in the city this afternoon when the sirens were tested.

Some citizens have already prepared windows for a blackout, although none has yet been ordered.

A full meeting of Parliament was held this afternoon.

Egypt's Declaration

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—The Chamber of Deputies has approved the declaration by the Prime Minister severing diplomatic relations with Italy.

Rumanian Action

BUCHAREST, June 12 (UP).—All commercial ships have been ordered to return to Rumanian ports immediately.

Italian Denial

ROME, June 12 (UP).—The reports that Italy has delivered an ultimatum to Egypt have been officially denied here.

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Spain Neutral

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MADRID, June 13 (UP).—The Spanish Council of Ministers has issued a decree, notifying the Powers that Spain intends to remain neutral in the war in Europe.

Defence Of Paris

Military Governor's Proclamation

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—The Military Governor of Paris has instructed all public services and two departments east and west of the capital to remain at their posts.

It is stated that the defence of the capital will not be a strategic and isolated operation, but that Paris will remain a bastion within the framework of the entire French line.

1,000,000 Leave City

The withdrawal of the French Government is now complete, and Government wireless stations are now operating from the provinces.

The roads south and west of Paris are crowded with refugees and the authorities estimated yesterday afternoon that 1,000,000 people had already left the city.

OFFICIAL RATE FOR STERLING

NEW YORK, June 12 (Reuter).—The Bank of England has requested the co-operation of American banks in establishing an official rate of sterling in order to ban the free market within three weeks.

Meanwhile, banking quarters have predicted that New York banks will accept the proposals. However, beforehand they will seek further information and details of the operation of the new system.

The Foreign Exchange Committee is reported to be preparing such an inquiry to the Bank of England.

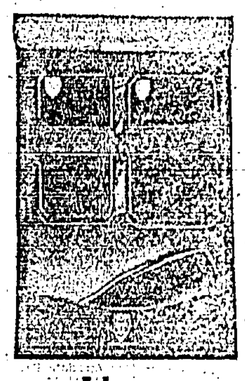
Nazis Start To Eat Dogs

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—It is learned here that because of the food situation in Germany an order has been issued for the destruction of all dogs except those used for military purposes.

About 3,000,000 dogs will be slaughtered.

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ELIMINATING FIFTH COLUMN

Energetic Measures In Britain

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Replying to the debate in the House of Lords on Government measures to suppress Fifth Column activities, the Duke of Devonshire, the Under-Secretary for India and Burma, said he had been asked whether an approach was made to America on the question of taking refugees or enemy aliens.

The Government is in touch with the United States on that and other problems.

11,000 Now Interned

Shipping questions are involved and events may take such a course that shipping may be wanted for other purposes than conveying refugees to America.

Dealing with recent Home Office orders, the Duke of Devonshire declared that 11,000 Germans and Austrians are now interned, against 2,000 on May 11.

It would not be in the public interest for him to disclose the other steps taken against Fifth Column interests.

BRITAIN'S PACT WITH THAILAND

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, announced in the House of Commons to-day that a non-aggression pact had been signed between Great Britain and Thailand (Siam).

Mr. Butler said that the British Government warmly welcomed this agreement as confirming the long established friendly relations between this country and the people and Government of Thailand, and as introducing a further element of stability in south-eastern Asia.

A similar agreement, said Mr. Butler, had been signed between France and Thailand at Bangkok. A treaty of friendship between the Government of Thailand and Japan was also signed to-day in Tokyo.

FRENCH PROMISE TO ITALIANS

PARIS, June 12 (Reuter).—The French Government announced that it would not intern Italian residents in France who have made a declaration of loyalty to France and have remained at the disposal of the military authorities.

Most Italians in France have already signed this agreement.

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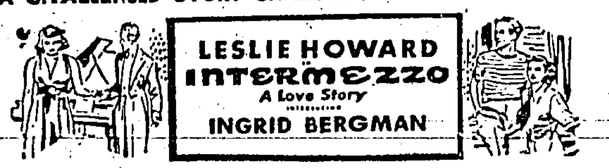
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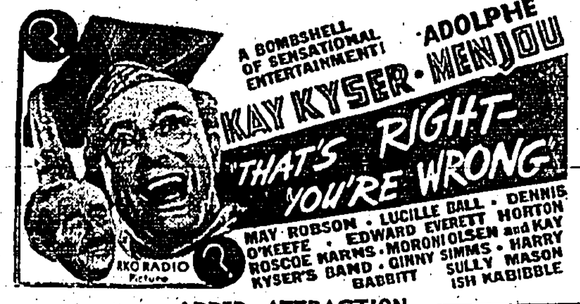
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SPITFIRE TRAVELS AT 650 M.P.H.

LONDON, (UP).—An R.A.F. pilot's temporary lapse into unconsciousness put a Spitfire fighter to an extraordinary test. In it he touched a speed of 650 to 700 m.p.h.

He was unable to see and register the top speed of the aircraft, but he put on record that coming out of the dive he was touching 400 m.p.h. from which experts deduct that during the dive he must have been doing at least 650 m.p.h.

Climbing to 23,000 ft. he had temporarily lost conciousness probably due to lack of oxygen. Recovering he found himself in a vertical dive at high speed.

There was danger that pulling the machine out of the dive he might 'blackout' himself, namely temporarily lose unconciousness due to the draining of the blood from the brain by a violent change of direction,—but he managed to retain and land safely. The machine has been returned to the makers for investigation and a report.

It is believed that important data will result. The experience, accidental as it was, is claimed to prove that the Spitfire fighter can be subjected to terrific strain.

Tommy May Get Cheaper Cigarettes

WHEN it was suggested to Mr. Oliver Stanley recently that an arrangement might be made to enable soldiers to obtain cigarettes and tobacco at lower prices through N.A.A.F.I., the Secretary for War promised that he would go into the matter.

"It must be remembered," he added, "that a free issue of cigarettes is made to troops on active service."

When Mr. Sorensen (Lab., Leyton, W.) asked whether, in view of prospective taxation of beer and tobacco, and increased cost of postage and travelling, he would consider making an increased allowance to the lower ranks in the Army, Mr. Stanley replied in the negative.

Taxation and other increases affected all classes of the community, he said, and did not, in his opinion, afford grounds for an increase of the emoluments for the Army.

LATE NEWS

DETAILS OF THE MALTA RAIDS

MALTA, June 12 (Reuter).—Details are now available about Tuesday's raid on Malta, in which about 20 planes participated.

Heavy bombs fell in the sea and others damaged the old barracks and civil property in the Sliema, Pawla and Zabbar areas.

According to unconfirmed reports, Tuesday's raids were carried out by Italian pilots flying German machines, and assisted by German observers.

All British women who are not visitors, or whose jobs or husbands' jobs are permanent have remained alongside the Maltese women.

EGYPT TO AID THE ALLIES

CAIRO, June 12 (Reuter).—After a three-hour debate on Egypt's attitude to Italy, the Senate to-day endorsed the "Government continuing to give the utmost support to her ally in the defence of right and liberty in accordance with the Anglo-Egyptian treaty.

P.O. Officers Back Claim Of Govt. Servants

The Post Office Controlling Officers' Association conference at Brighton recently unanimously backed the demand of Civil Servants for a cost-of-living wage increase.

After hearing a report in private on the progress of the negotiations, the delegates endorsed the decision of the staff side of the National Whitley Council to deal urgently with the position in which the lowest paid members of the service had been placed by the increased cost of living.

SCIENTIFICALLY VITAMINISED

LONDON, (UP).—The British soldier has become scientifically vitaminised.

His famous 'iron ration'—a tin of bully beef and a few stale biscuits—has disappeared and its place has been taken by what looks like a 6 oz. slab of chocolate.

Actually it is composed of 25 parts by weight of double refined cocoa; 84 parts of dried protein, known as Lait-Proto, which is prepared from milk, and 27 parts of refined sugar.

All this is prepared in pure cocoa butter. To the dried protein is added sodium bicarbonate of not more than 7 per cent. to make the protein soluble as a food.

Sing Sing's New Executioner

NEW YORK, (UP).—The new official executioner at Sing Sing Prison is Joseph Francell, 42-year-old former electrician and garage owner of Cairo, N.Y.

Francell succeeds Robert Elliott, who died on October 10th, after fourteen years at Sing Sing throwing the switch which sent lethal current through about 400 persons.

The new executioner was selected by Warden Lewis Lawes, whose choice was subject to confirmation by the State Commissioner of Correction.

More than 350 persons applied for Elliott's job, which paid a fee of $150 an execution.

DUTCH FOR SERVICE

Wilhelmina Issues Decree In London

London, June 12.

Dutch subjects not belonging to the Dutch naval or land forces may be called on to perform special services in or for the Dutch mercantile marine, if this is considered necessary in the interests of the State. A decree to this effect, signed by Queen Wilhelmina, was published to-day.

The decree empowers the Dutch Minister for Defence to issue an order for such services as may be deemed necessary. The Dutch Government already had full powers to requisition Dutch ships.—Reuter.

VALIANT HEARTS, & EPIC DEEDS

Thrilling Stories Of Tommies In France

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—"Eye-Witness", with the British Army in France telegraphs that 20 Yorkshiremen with one anti-tank gun held up a German tank column of 50 vehicles for nearly three hours during the height of the German advance on Paris.

More than 100 German soldiers who leaped from the vehicles and dashed to the hill-top were engaged in a fierce pitched battle by the small British company.

Eventually the British party withdrew across a river after the young subaltern had swum across under fire and towed a boat across with one hand. The wounded were rescued in this boat.

Superb Spirit

This was one of the many epic feats of gallantry performed by the British troops during the past few days when only the greatly superior mass of German troops and equipment have been forcing our men to retire.

All have shown the same superb spirit and high courage against bombs, shells and the waves of infantry recently seen in Flanders, though on a smaller scale. But the most fearless courage cannot stand against machine.

In aeroplanes, tanks, anti-tank guns and artillery of every kind, the Germans have outnumbered the British.

Grim Tales

To-day as the situation grows clearer, it seems likely that the casualties, though heavy, will be lighter than at first appeared probable. In many cases, whole detachments, believed to be surrounded, have fought their way back to their units. Unshaven men, exhausted but remarkably cheerful, are continually arriving in twos and threes out of the confused area of the zone of operations.

Everyone has a grim tale to tell of smashing dive-bomb attacks or massed assaults by German motor-cyclists, machine-gunners or tanks or fierce artillery fire.

Some of the enemy motor-cycle combinations had British battle dresses packed away in them apparently for use as disguises.

It is reported that German infantry have been seen wearing khaki uniforms.

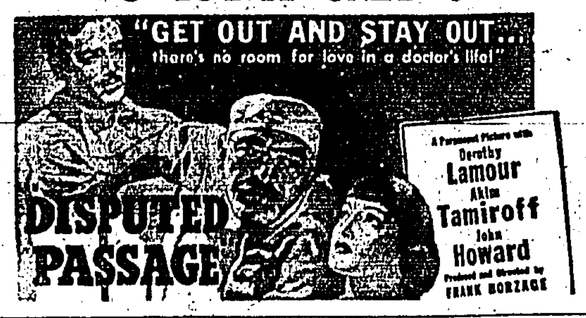
AGREEMENT IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, June 13 (Reuter).—British, American and Italian commanders have reached an agreement restricting the areas in which British and Italian troops may be on leave at the same time, thus avoiding contacts and the possibility of incidents.

Similar precautions are taken in Peiping.

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LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—In a statement from Buckingham Palace to-day, His Majesty the King said that it was with regret that he had decided to cancel his annual camp this year.

This camp, which was started in 1921, was attended by public school and industrial school boys. His Majesty expressed the hope that the spirit of the camp may be made to serve the country's need in the field of harvesting.

Camps are now being organised by headmasters in conjunction with the Ministry of Agriculture.

ROME STARTS FAIRY STORIES

LONDON, June 12 (Reuter).—Rome-Radio to-day said that the whole population of Abyssinia had requested the Italian authorities for the honour of being called up en masse to fight the enemies of Italy.

This statement is received in London with more than scepticism for only recently there were disturbances in no less than three parts of Abyssinia, particularly north of Lake Tana.

The Italians had to send armed troops in an attempt to put down the disturbances.

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